



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT OF  
THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



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1 [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

2 ON TUESDAY, MARCH 25, 2014, ON PAGE 123]

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6 (GAVEL)

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GOOD MORNING, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. I'D

9 LIKE TO WELCOME YOU ALL TO OUR BOARD MEETING. I'LL ASK

10 EVERYBODY TO PLEASE RISE. TODAY OUR INVOCATION IS GOING TO BE

11 LED BY PASTOR DOUG ANDERSEN FROM THE CHURCH ON THE WAY IN

12 SANTA CLARITA. AND OUR PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WILL BE LED BY

13 CHARLES CARTER FROM LONG BEACH. PASTOR ANDERSEN.

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15 **PASTOR DOUG ANDERSEN:** THANK YOU. ALMIGHTY GOD AND HEAVENLY

16 FATHER, IT IS A PRIVILEGE TO STAND HERE AND CALL UPON YOUR

17 GRACE. WE ACKNOWLEDGE YOUR POWER AND WE TRUST THAT YOU'LL

18 ATTEND US THIS DAY. WE'RE BLESSED TO LIVE IN A WONDERFUL

19 COUNTY, AND WE'RE THANKFUL HOW IT'S MANAGED AND HOW IT'S

20 OVERSEEN AND WE INVOKE YOUR PRESENCE KNOWING THAT ALL GOOD

21 THINGS COME FROM YOU. UNDESERVING AS WE MIGHT BE, WE HUMBLY

22 REQUEST YOUR MERCY AND GRACE TO CONTINUE IN THIS WONDERFUL

23 COUNTY, AND WE PRAY FOR PEACE WITHIN OUR BOUNDARIES. WE PRAY

24 FOR PROSPERITY AMONG OUR PEOPLE. WE PRAY FOR PROTECTION

25 AGAINST ANYTHING THAT WOULD INTEND HARM. WE ASK FOR THOSE WHO

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1 CARRY SUCH A HEAVY RESPONSIBILITY, WHO SERVE OUR COMMUNITY,  
2 THAT THEY WOULD BE BLESSED. PLEASE ATTEND TO THE NEEDS OF OUR  
3 PEACE OFFICERS, CIVIL SERVANTS, EDUCATORS, HEALTH CARE  
4 PROFESSIONALS AND ALL WHO LABOR TO MAKE THIS COUNTY A GREAT  
5 PLACE. GUARD THEM. KEEP THEM SAFE IN THEIR JOBS, THEIR HOMES.  
6 MAY THEY FAITHFULLY CARRY OUT THAT SERVANT ROLE AND REAP THE  
7 BENEFITS OF FULFILLMENT FOR WHAT THEY DO. AS THE BIBLE TELLS  
8 US TO PRAY FOR THOSE IN AUTHORITY THAT WE CAN LEAD A QUIET AND  
9 PEACEABLE LIFE IN ALL GODLINESS AND REVERENCE, WE DO THAT  
10 TODAY AND WE PRAY FOR THESE SERVANTS, THEIR TEAMS THAT GATHER  
11 TO DELIBERATE ON MATTERS OF IMPORTANCE TO OUR COMMUNITY. THAT  
12 WE HAVE YOUR INTERVENTION, THAT THE GOD OF ALL WISDOM WOULD  
13 POUR OUT YOUR UNDERSTANDING TODAY ON OUR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.  
14 BLESS SUPERVISOR MOLINA, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, SUPERVISOR  
15 YAROSLAVSKY, SUPERVISOR KNABE AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, AND  
16 WE ASK TODAY FOR HARMONY OF INTENTION, UNITY OF CONVICTION TO  
17 CONTINUE TO ADVANCE THIS COMMUNITY INTO ITS INTENDED ROLE AS  
18 THE WORLD-CLASS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. WE ASK THESE THINGS IN  
19 YOUR ALMIGHTY NAME, AMEN.

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21 **CHARLES CARTER:** PLACE YOUR RIGHT HANDS OVER YOUR HEART AND I  
22 WILL LEAD YOU IN THE PLEDGE. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]

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24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IT IS MY PRIVILEGE TO PRESENT A  
25 CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION TO MR. CHARLES CARTER. AS I



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1 MENTIONED, HE LIVES IN THE CITY OF LONG BEACH. HE CURRENTLY  
2 SERVES IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT  
3 DEPARTMENT, AS A SPECIALIST, AND HELPING OUR DISABLED VETERANS  
4 OUTREACH PROGRAM. HE SERVED AS A CORPORAL IN THE UNITED STATES  
5 ARMY FROM 1979 TO 1984 WITH A MEDEC MEDICAL COMPANY. HE  
6 RECEIVED AN ARMY GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL, ARMY SERVICE RIBBON AND  
7 EXPERT RIFLE MEDAL. HE HAS THREE CHILDREN AND HAS LIVED IN THE  
8 FOURTH DISTRICT FOR OVER FOUR YEARS. SO CHARLES, WE THANK YOU  
9 FOR TAKING TIME OUT OF YOUR BUSY SCHEDULE TO COME DOWN AND  
10 LEAD US IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. [APPLAUSE.] PASTOR,  
11 MIKE'S ON HIS WAY. WE'LL GO AHEAD WITH READING THE AGENDA  
12 THEN, PLEASE.

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14 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN,  
15 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 3,  
16 AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT  
17 COMMISSION, ITEM NO. 1-D. ON THIS ITEM, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM  
18 A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD IT. ON PAGE 4, AGENDA FOR THE  
19 MEETING OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY, ITEM NO. 1-H. ON THIS ITEM,  
20 THERE IS ALSO A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD  
21 THIS ITEM.

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23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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1   **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON PAGE 5, PUBLIC HEARINGS, ITEMS  
2   1 THROUGH 3, WE WILL HOLD FOR THE PUBLIC HEARINGS. ON PAGE 6,  
3   BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 4 THROUGH 12. ON ITEM NO. 4,  
4   SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST  
5   THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 9 AND 10, THERE'S A  
6   REQUEST FROM EITHER A MEMBER OR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD  
7   THESE ITEMS. THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE BOARD OF  
8   SUPERVISORS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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10   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR  
11   YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION,  
12   SO BE THE ORDER.

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14   **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON PAGE 10, CONSENT CALENDAR,  
15   ITEMS 13 THROUGH 17. ON ITEM NO. 13, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM  
16   MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 14,  
17   SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT  
18   THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 15, SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS  
19   THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 16, THE SHERIFF REQUESTS  
20   THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO HIS DEPARTMENT. AND ON ITEM  
21   NO. 17, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD  
22   THIS ITEM. ON PAGE 12, DISCUSSION ITEMS, ITEMS 18 AND 19, ON  
23   ITEM NO. 18, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM  
24   BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO APRIL 15, 2014. ON ITEM NO. 19, WE  
25   WILL HOLD FOR A DISCUSSION. ON PAGE 16, NOTICES OF CLOSED

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1 SESSION, ON ITEM NO. C.S.-1, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL  
2 AGENDA, COUNTY COUNSEL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED  
3 TWO WEEKS TO APRIL 8, 2014. AND THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF  
4 THE AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH  
5 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 1.

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I WOULD LIKE TO INVITE SERGEY SARKISOV  
10 THE HONORABLE CONSUL GENERAL OF ARMENIA TO JOIN US. BEFORE  
11 TAKING THIS UP HIS POSITION, THE CONSUL GENERAL WAS A  
12 SUCCESSFUL INTERNATIONAL BUSINESSMAN IN THE INSURANCE INDUSTRY  
13 IN RUSSIA WITH VENTURES AND AFFILIATES IN ARMENIA, UKRAINE,  
14 BELARUS AND OTHER COUNTRIES IN THE REGION. HE WAS ALSO  
15 PRESIDENT OF EURASIAN UNION OF INSURANCE ORGANIZATIONS IN  
16 MOSCOW AND A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WORLD'S  
17 LARGEST INSURANCE ORGANIZATION, THE INTERNATIONAL INSURANCE  
18 SOCIETY WITH HEADQUARTERS IN WASHINGTON, D.C. HE GRADUATED  
19 FROM MOSCOW STATE UNIVERSITY IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND  
20 ALSO EARNED A DOCTORATE IN ECONOMICS. HE IS FLUENT IN SEVERAL  
21 LANGUAGES, INCLUDING ENGLISH, FRENCH AND SPANISH, AS WELL AS  
22 RUSSIAN. SO ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND MY COLLEAGUES ON THE BOARD  
23 AND THE 10 MILLION RESIDENTS OF OUR GREAT COUNTY, WE WANT TO  
24 EXTEND A VERY, VERY WARM WELCOME TO YOU, CONSUL GENERAL.  
25 [APPLAUSE.]



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2 **HON. SERGEY SARKISOV:** HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF  
3 SUPERVISORS, ESTEEMED GUESTS, ATTENDANTS, \_\_\_\_\_. I AM HONORED  
4 TO RECEIVE THIS PLAQUE OF RECOGNITION AS I ASSUME MY DUTIES AS  
5 THE NEW CONSUL GENERAL FOR THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA. THE  
6 CONSULATE OF ARMENIA IN LOS ANGELES HAS A PROUD AND WELL-  
7 ESTABLISHED HISTORY OF CORDIAL, PROFESSIONAL, PERSONAL  
8 RELATIONSHIP AND CLOSE MUTUAL COOPERATION WITH THE OFFICE OF  
9 PROTOCOL. I SINCERELY HOPE TO CONTINUE AND EXPAND THIS  
10 RELATIONSHIP DURING MY TENURE IN OFFICE. I AGAIN THANK YOU FOR  
11 THE HONOR OF RECEIVING THE PLAQUE AND LOOKING FORWARD TO LONG  
12 AND FRUITFUL RELATIONSHIP THAT LIES AHEAD. AND I WOULD LIKE TO  
13 SAY THANK YOU FROM THE WHOLE ARMENIAN COMMUNITY TO THE COUNTY  
14 OF LOS ANGELES, TO THE UNITED STATES. THIS IS OUR SECOND  
15 MOTHERLAND. WE ARE PROUD TO BE HERE. WE ARE PROUD TO WORK  
16 HERE, AND THANK YOU AGAIN. [APPLAUSE.]

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I'M GOING TO ASK C.E.O. BILL FUJIOKA TO  
19 JOIN ME UP HERE. WE ARE GOING TO RECOGNIZE THE DEPARTMENT  
20 HEADS AND COORDINATORS FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO  
21 THE ANNUAL CHARITABLE GIVING CAMPAIGN. THIS VOLUNTARY  
22 FUNDRAISING EVENT BENEFITS CHILDREN AND FAMILIES IN NEED  
23 THROUGHOUT OUR GREAT COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. LAST YEAR, COUNTY  
24 EMPLOYEES DONATED MORE THAN \$1 MILLION TO OUR CAMPAIGN  
25 PARTNERS. SO ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD, WE WANT TO THANK OUR

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1 EMPLOYEES FOR GIVING SO GENEROUSLY IN 2013. AND SO I'M GOING  
2 TO ASK MEMBERS OF THE ASIAN PACIFIC COMMUNITY FUND, THE  
3 BROTHERHOOD CRUSADE, COMMUNITY HEALTH CHARITIES, EARTH SHARE  
4 CALIFORNIA, UNITED LATINO FUND, UNITED WAY OF GREATER LOS  
5 ANGELES AND THE VARIETY OF THE CHILDREN'S CHARITY TO JOIN ME.  
6 AND I AM GOING TO PRESENT TO THEM A CHECK FOR \$1 MILLION FROM  
7 BILL AND I. [APPLAUSE.]

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT, BILL, IT'S ALL YOURS.

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11 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** GOOD MORNING. NOW, IT'S MY PLEASURE TO FIRST,  
12 WE'RE GOING TO GO THROUGH A NUMBER OF OUTSTANDING DEPARTMENT  
13 HEADS AND THE COORDINATORS WHO DID AN EXCEPTIONAL JOB IN THIS  
14 CHARITABLE GIVING CAMPAIGN. THE FIRST IS OUR CHIEF INFORMATION  
15 OFFICER, RICHARD SANCHEZ. AND WITH MARVIN BROWN AS HIS  
16 COORDINATOR. WHERE ARE THEY? COME ON UP. THE SECOND OF THIS  
17 GROUP IS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, SEAN ROGAN. OH,  
18 THAT'S RIGHT. LET'S DO INDIVIDUAL PICTURES. CONGRATULATE OUR  
19 CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER, PLEASE. [APPLAUSE.] OKAY. WE'LL GET  
20 IN A RHYTHM NOW. I THINK I HAVE THIS. NEXT IS THE COMMUNITY  
21 DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SEAN ROGAN AND  
22 CLAUDIA PEREZ, COORDINATOR. [APPLAUSE.] NEXT WE HAVE OUR LOS  
23 ANGELES COUNTY EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION. GREGG  
24 RADEMACHER, THE C.E.O. AND COLETTA CADWELL, COORDINATOR.  
25 [APPLAUSE.] NEXT WE HAVE PUBLIC WORKS. DIRECTOR GAIL FARBER,

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1 HECTOR BORDAS, ASSISTANT DEPUTY DIRECTOR AND VANESSA OLIVAS,  
2 THE COORDINATOR. [APPLAUSE.] WE HAVE ONE-TIME FUNDRAISING  
3 AWARDS. THIS NEXT SET OF AWARDS GO TO THE OUTSTANDING  
4 DEPARTMENT HEADS AND COORDINATORS IN THE ONE-TIME FUNDRAISING  
5 CATEGORY FOR THE 2013 CHARITABLE GIVING CAMPAIGN. FIRST, WE  
6 HAVE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, SACHI HAMAI EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR,  
7 FERNITA MORRIS AND JULIA KNOWLE, COORDINATORS. [APPLAUSE.] AND  
8 WE HAVE-- THIS WILL GET THE LARGEST APPLAUSE, I GUARANTEE. THE  
9 NEXT ONE IS OUR AUDITOR-CONTROLLER WENDY WATANABE. [APPLAUSE.]  
10 AND CARMEN GOMEZ, THE COORDINATOR. [APPLAUSE.] THAT'S NOT  
11 WENDY. [LAUGHTER.] OH, HERE SHE COMES. IT'S YOUR LAST OFFICIAL  
12 PICTURE. JOHN JUMPED THE GUN. [LAUGHTER.] NEXT WE HAVE  
13 CONSUMER AFFAIRS, BRIAN STEIGER DIRECTOR, AND ARMANDO NOGAL,  
14 COORDINATOR. [APPLAUSE.] NEXT IS PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES. WE  
15 HAVE ANGETTA VENTERS-BOWLES, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR. AND ALMA  
16 GUADALUPE, COORDINATOR. [APPLAUSE.] BEFORE I TURN IT BACK TO  
17 OUR CHAIR, I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT NOT ONLY TO RECOGNIZE THE  
18 FOLKS THAT CAME UP AND GOT THEIR AWARDS BUT ALL COUNTY  
19 EMPLOYEES. DURING VERY, VERY DIFFICULT TIMES, EVEN DURING THE  
20 RECESSION, THE COUNTY EMPLOYEES CONTINUED TO STEP UP AND  
21 CONTINUED TO CONTRIBUTE TO THESE AMAZING WORTHWHILE ENDEAVORS.  
22 THAT'S SOMETHING THAT SPEAKS WELL FOR US BECAUSE WE'RE THE  
23 COUNTY. WE SERVE THOSE WHO OFTENTIMES HAVE NO ONE ELSE HELPING  
24 THEM. AND WE DEMONSTRATE THAT EVERY SINGLE YEAR THROUGH OUR  
25 CHARITABLE GIVING CAMPAIGN. SO ON BEHALF OF MYSELF, THE ENTIRE

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1 BOARD, WE THANK EVERY SINGLE COUNTY EMPLOYEE FOR WHAT THEY'VE  
2 DONE. GOD BLESS YOU ALL. [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** JUST TO SORT OF REITERATE WHAT BILL  
5 SAID, I THINK THE SUCCESS OF A CAMPAIGN IS ONLY AS STRONG AS  
6 ITS LEADERSHIP AND THE C.E.O. AND THE CHARITABLE GIVING  
7 CAMPAIGN REACHED NEW HEIGHTS UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF BILL  
8 FUJIOKA. SO WE, DESPITE, AS HE MENTIONED, A VERY DIFFICULT  
9 ECONOMY, OUR FOLKS CONTRIBUTED OVER \$1 MILLION TO THIS  
10 CAMPAIGN. SO ON BEHALF OF OUR COLLEAGUES IN THE COUNTY, WE  
11 WOULD LIKE TO PRESENT BILL WITH AN OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP  
12 AWARD ON BEHALF OF EVERYONE. AND AGAIN, AS HE SAID, AND WE ALL  
13 SAY, THANK YOU TO OUR COUNTY EMPLOYEES WHO SO GENEROUSLY HAVE  
14 GIVEN TO THE MANY CHARITIES THAT WE DO SUPPORT. [APPLAUSE.]  
15 AGAIN, THANK YOU TO THOSE UP HERE AND TO OUR CHARITIES, AND  
16 MOST IMPORTANTLY, TO ALL OF OUR COUNTY EMPLOYEES. GIVE  
17 YOURSELF ONE MORE BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.] WELL, SAD  
18 MOMENT THAT WE ALL HAVE NOT BEEN WAITING FOR, AND THAT IS TO  
19 ASK OUR AUDITOR-CONTROLLER WENDY WATANABE TO PLEASE JOIN US UP  
20 HERE ON THE PODIUM. YEAH, GO AHEAD AND GIVE HER A BIG-- DO IT  
21 MORE THAN ONCE. [APPLAUSE.] WENDY BEGAN HER CAREER WITH THE  
22 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER AS AN ACCOUNTING SYSTEMS ANALYST IN 1988  
23 AND MOVED UP THE COUNTY RANKS THROUGH BEACHES AND HARBORS, THE  
24 C.E.O., SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. SHE WAS APPOINTED AUDITOR-  
25 CONTROLLER ON JANUARY 27, 2009, AND WAS THE FIRST FEMALE TO

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1 SERVE IN THAT POSITION IN THE 158-YEAR HISTORY OF THE  
2 DEPARTMENT. SHE HAS SERVED WITH DEDICATION AND COMMITMENT.  
3 UNDER HER LEADERSHIP, SEVERAL INNOVATIVE FINANCIAL PRACTICES  
4 WERE IMPLEMENTED, INCLUDING OUR SHARED-SERVICES PROGRAM, THE  
5 CONSOLIDATED FISCAL AND PAYROLL OPERATIONS OF THE 18-COUNTY  
6 DEPARTMENTS INTO A SINGLE PROFESSIONAL DIVISION, THE  
7 IMPLEMENTATION OF SIGNIFICANT EFFICIENCY AND USABILITY  
8 ENHANCEMENTS TO OUR COUNTY'S RETIREMENT AND FINANCIAL  
9 REPORTING SYSTEM, THE REPLACEMENT OF THE 25-YEAR-OLD TIME AND  
10 PAYROLL SYSTEM, INCLUDING A PAPERLESS SYSTEM. SHE HAS  
11 DISTINGUISHED HERSELF AS AN EXPERT IN THE FIELDS OF  
12 ADMINISTRATION, AUDITING, BUDGET, FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, AS  
13 WELL AS MANY OTHERS. WENDY, YOU HAVE SERVED 25 YEARS WITH  
14 GRACE AND DIGNITY AND INTEGRITY AND PROFESSIONALISM, AND WE  
15 WOULD ALL LIKE TO CONGRATULATE YOU ON YOUR RETIREMENT AND WISH  
16 YOU GOD- SPEED AND THE VERY BEST. MORE IMPORTANTLY, GOOD  
17 HEALTH. BUT YOU WILL BE TRULY MISSED BY ALL OF US. I KNOW I  
18 SPEAK FOR MY COLLEAGUES AND I'M SURE THEY'RE ALL GOING TO  
19 SHARE A FEW WORDS, AS WELL, TOO. SO WE HOPE YOU ENJOY TIME  
20 WITH YOUR HUSBAND. I'M HAVING A HARD TIME BELIEVING YOU'RE  
21 GIVING UP THAT HOME IN MANHATTAN BEACH TO GO TO HENDERSON,  
22 NEVADA, BUT I UNDERSTAND IT'S ON A GOLF COURSE AND ALL THOSE  
23 KIND OF THINGS THAT COME INTO PLAY WHEN YOU RETIRE, LIKE  
24 PLAYING EVERY DAY. SO WE WISH YOU AND YOUR FAMILY THE VERY,  
25 VERY BEST. AND, AGAIN, ON BEHALF OF NOT ONLY ALL OUR COUNTY

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1 FAMILY, BUT THE CITIZENS OF THIS GREAT COUNTY, THANK YOU FOR  
2 YOUR 25 YEARS OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICE TO THE CITIZENS OF THIS  
3 GREAT COUNTY. GOD BLESS. [APPLAUSE.]

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5 **SUP. MOLINA:** WENDY, IT'S BEEN AN HONOR TO WORK WITH YOU. IT IS  
6 SHORT-LIVED, THOUGH, AS THE HEAD OF THE DEPARTMENT. BUT LET ME  
7 JUST SAY THAT OUR AUDITORS AND OUR AUDITOR-CONTROLLER HAVE  
8 REALLY ALWAYS BEEN DOING A VERY EFFECTIVE JOB. AND I REALLY  
9 THINK IT IS BECAUSE OF THE OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP THAT WE HAVE  
10 HAD THROUGHOUT THE YEARS. AND I REALLY HAVE TO SAY THAT THAT  
11 IS THE SAME FOR YOU. YOU PROVIDED OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP TO  
12 YOUR TEAM. THEY HAVE DONE A GREAT JOB FOR US. THEY'RE  
13 INNOVATIVE. THEY'RE VERY CREATIVE. THEY'RE PROBLEM SOLVERS.  
14 AND I THINK THAT IT WOULD HAVE BEEN VERY, VERY TOUGH WITHOUT  
15 THAT KIND OF TEAMWORK TO HAVE GOTTEN THROUGH KIND OF THE WHOLE  
16 C.R.A .SITUATION AS SMOOTHLY AS WE DID WITH ALL OF THE  
17 EFFECTIVE BACKUP AND WORK THAT YOU DID. I'M SURPRISED. I THINK  
18 YOU'RE TOO YOUNG TO BE GOING AWAY. [LAUGHTER.] BUT I DO, I  
19 RESPECT THAT YOU'VE MADE THE CHOICE THAT IS BEST FOR YOU AND  
20 YOUR FAMILY. SO CONGRATULATIONS. ENJOY YOUR TIME OFF. AND  
21 MAYBE A GREAT, GREAT, GREAT TIME. CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.]

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23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NOW, MR. CHAIRMAN, I JUST ECHO THOSE REMARKS  
24 AND JUST THANK YOU, WENDY, FOR YOUR SERVICE TO THE COUNTY, FOR  
25 YOUR SERVICE AS THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER IN THE TOP SPOT BUT



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1 ALSO IN THE SUB-TOP SPOTS THAT I GOT TO KNOW YOU OVER THE BULK  
2 OF THE COURSE OF MY CAREER HERE. YOU WERE PROFESSIONAL. YOU'RE  
3 A PROBLEM SOLVER. BUT I THINK YOU RAN A VERY SOLID AUDITOR-  
4 CONTROLLER'S OFFICE WHICH CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN THE RESPECT OF  
5 BOTH PEOPLE INSIDE OF COUNTY GOVERNMENT AND OUTSIDE AS AN  
6 INDEPENDENT PAIR OF EYES AND EARS ENSURING THAT THE PUBLIC'S  
7 TAX DOLLARS WERE APPROPRIATELY SPENT. AND I'M SORRY THAT  
8 YOU'RE LEAVING. I CAN'T BLAME YOU. BUT-- [LAUGHTER.] -- BUT I  
9 CAN STILL FAULT YOU. SO I WISH YOU WELL. [APPLAUSE.]

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MIKE?

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13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I ALSO WANT TO ECHO THOSE REMARKS. AND MY  
14 STAFF AND I APPRECIATED THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK WITH WENDY AND  
15 HER PROFESSIONALISM AND A GOOD ROLE MODEL FOR THE COUNTY. YOU  
16 WONDER WHERE THE TIME GOES, IT WENT BY SO FAST. BUT YOUR  
17 LEGACY WILL REMAIN AND WE APPRECIATE THAT. SO THANK YOU VERY  
18 MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, WENDY WATANABE.  
21 [APPLAUSE]

22

23 **WENDY WATANABE:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU SO MUCH. I THINK THIS  
24 WILL BE MY LAST PUBLIC SPEAKING EXPERIENCE. AND THANK YOU,  
25 SUPERVISOR DON KNABE AND SUPERVISOR GLORIA MOLINA AND

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1 SUPERVISOR ZEV YAROSLAVSKY AND SUPERVISOR MICHAEL ANTONOVICH.  
2 THANK YOU FOR YOUR KIND WORDS. I'M REALLY SPEECHLESS. LET ME  
3 FIRST INTRODUCE MY FAMILY REAL QUICK. BEHIND ME IS MY BIGGEST  
4 SUPPORTER, MY HUSBAND, DENNIS WATANABE. [APPLAUSE.] AND FROM  
5 THAT SIDE, FROM THE END, THAT'S MY BROTHER-IN-LAW, RON KATO. I  
6 DON'T KNOW IF YOU REMEMBER DURING MY SWEARING IN CEREMONY, HE  
7 WAS THE ONE THAT WAS WEARING SHORTS. [LAUGHTER.] HE'S A TRUE  
8 GOLFER. SO I'M GOING TO BE-- WELL AFTER I RETIRE, I'M  
9 FOLLOWING HIM. I'M GOING TO JOIN HIM TO GOLF. I'M NOT AT HIS  
10 RANK, THOUGH. NEXT TO HIM IS MY SISTER-IN-LAW DIANE KATO. AND  
11 NEXT TO DIANE IS MY NEPHEW, CHRISTOPHER KATO. THAT'S DENNIS.  
12 AND I HAVE ADOPTED MOTHER, MRS. MATSUDA, A LONGTIME FAMILY  
13 FRIEND. AND THEN HIS SON DOUG MATSUDA. I WANT TO THANK YOU  
14 FIRST FOR THE BOARD THAT APPOINTED ME FIVE YEARS AGO AS THE  
15 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER. YOUR TRUST AND SUPPORT WAS VERY  
16 OVERWHELMING TO ME. I'LL BE LYING TO YOU TO SAY THAT THIS WAS  
17 A VERY EASY JOB. IT REALLY WAS NOT. IT WAS VERY CHALLENGING.  
18 BUT I THINK WITH THE SUPPORT OF ALL OF YOU AND MANY FELLOW  
19 DEPARTMENT HEADS THAT ARE HERE TODAY AND SOME OF THE BOARD  
20 DEPUTIES, AND THE MOST IMPORTANT PART WAS THE COLLEAGUES THAT  
21 I WORK WITH ON A DAILY BASIS AT THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER  
22 DEPARTMENT, WITHOUT ALL OF YOUR SUPPORT, I DON'T THINK I WOULD  
23 HAVE MADE IT THIS FAR, NOW IT'S INTO THE SIXTH YEAR. AND I  
24 HOPE I HAVE DONE AN OKAY JOB FOR YOU FOR WHICH YOU APPOINTED  
25 ME SIX YEARS AGO. BUT I DO WANT TO LET YOU KNOW THAT THIS

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1 DEPARTMENT, IT IS IN VERY GOOD HANDS. I HAVE FULL CONFIDENCE  
2 IN THE EXECUTIVE TEAM THAT WE HAVE PUT TOGETHER. AND THESE ARE  
3 THE BRIGHTEST AND THE MOST HARD WORKING AND HAD THE MOST  
4 INTELLIGENT AND THE MOST EXPERIENCED IN THE AUDIT, IN  
5 ACCOUNTING FIELD. SO I LEFT-- I TOLD MYSELF I'M NOT GOING TO  
6 CRY. BUT I WANT TO THANK ALL OF YOU. AND I'D ALSO LIKE TO  
7 RECOGNIZE SOME OF MY FRIENDS FROM OTHER DEPARTMENTS THAT I  
8 HAVE WORKED WITH OR WORKED FOR. I KNOW BEACHES AND HARBORS,  
9 CARRIE SILVERSTROM IS SOMEWHERE. RIGHT HERE, OKAY. AND THEN  
10 THERE IS SOME COLLEAGUES FROM BEACHES AND HARBORS, AS WELL. I  
11 HAVE SOME FRIENDS THAT TO COME OVER TODAY TO SUPPORT ME. THANK  
12 YOU ALL. AND I THINK I HAVE-- LET'S SEE. OH C.A.O. I WORKED  
13 FOR, AS WELL. SO, ANYWAY, I HAVE GREAT MEMORIES. IT'S COME TO  
14 THIS POINT THAT I AM GOING TO LEAVE. AND I WILL BE TRAVELING A  
15 LOT WITH MY HUSBAND. I WILL BE READING A LOT. I WILL BE  
16 SLEEPING A LOT. [LAUGHTER.] AND NO MORE WAKING UP IN THE  
17 MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT WORRYING ABOUT THINGS THAT ARE NOT DONE OR  
18 NOT DONE RIGHT. SO THANK YOU VERY, VERY MUCH FROM THE BOTTOM  
19 OF MY HEART. AUDITOR-CONTROLLER EMPLOYEES, THANK YOU, THANK  
20 YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR SUPPORT. [APPLAUSE.]

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, ONE MORE TIME,  
23 WENDY WATANABE. [APPLAUSE.] SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

24

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, AS WE ARE CONGRATULATING PEOPLE  
2    FOR THEIR YEARS OF SERVICE, THIS IS A WONDERFUL FRIEND I'VE  
3    HAD THE OPPORTUNITY OF WORKING FOR THE PAST 32 YEARS, ANGIE  
4    JOHNSON, WHO STARTED AS AN INTERN, AS A STUDENT WORKER IN THE  
5    EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF OUR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. AND THAT WAS  
6    WITH JIM MIZE. THEN IN 1983 SHE TRANSFERRED TO A NEW POSITION  
7    AS DEPUTY CLERK WITH OUR LOS ANGELES MUNICIPAL COURTS, AND  
8    THEN RETURNED IN 1991 AS THE STAFF ASSISTANT FOR SUPERVISOR  
9    KENNETH HAHN, OUR GOOD FRIEND, UNTIL HIS RETIREMENT. SHE'S  
10   CURRENTLY THE HEAD BOARD SPECIALIST IN CHARGE OF THE RECORDS  
11   MANAGEMENT SECTION IN THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE, WORKING FOR SACHI.  
12   AND SHE LOOKS FORWARD TO RETIRING TO ARIZONA WHERE SHE PLANS  
13   ON HELPING SENIORS, VOLUNTEERING AND ALSO WITH THE HUMANE  
14   SOCIETY AND HELPING GET THOSE ANIMALS ADOPTED AS WE DO HERE IN  
15   LOS ANGELES COUNTY. SO, ANGIE, IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME, BUT WE  
16   WISH YOU WERE STAYING A LOT LONGER. BUT WE WISH YOU CONTINUED  
17   SUCCESS AND GOD BLESS YOU.

18

19   **ANGIE JOHNSON:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

20

21   **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU. I ALSO WANT TO JUST  
22   THANK ANGIE FOR HER 32 PLUS YEARS OF BEING WITH THE BOARD OF  
23   SUPERVISORS' EXECUTIVE OFFICE. SHE'S ACTUALLY STARTED HER  
24   CAREER WITH THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE WHEN SHE WAS 17 YEARS OLD.  
25   AND SHE'S REMAINED HERE. IN EVERY CAPACITY THAT SHE HAS BEEN

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1 IN, SHE'S JUST DONE A TREMENDOUS JOB. AND SINCE I'VE WORKED  
2 WITH HER FOR THE LAST EIGHT YEARS, SHE HAS JUST STEPPED UP AND  
3 HAS DONE WONDERS WITH THE ORGANIZATION. SO, YOU KNOW, ON  
4 BEHALF OF MYSELF AND THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE, I JUST WANT TO  
5 THANK YOU, ANGIE, AND WISH YOU THE BEST OF LUCK. [APPLAUSE.]

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I JUST WANTED TO OBVIOUSLY CHIME IN HERE  
8 AND WISH ANGIE THE VERY BEST, AS WELL, TOO. SHE'S BEEN A DEAR  
9 FRIEND TO ALL OF US OVER THE YEARS, AND ANY TIME THERE WAS AN  
10 ISSUE WE HAD TO DEAL WITH, SHE WAS ONE OF OUR GO-TO PEOPLE. SO  
11 WE WISH YOU THE VERY, VERY BEST IN RETIREMENT AND, MOST  
12 IMPORTANTLY, THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE.

13

14 **ANGIE JOHNSON:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH, SUPERVISORS.  
15 IT HAS BEEN A PLEASURE TO WORK FOR THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE. I'VE  
16 BEEN AFFORDED SO MANY DIFFERENT OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN AND  
17 GROW AND BE MENTORED AND THEN MENTOR OTHER PEOPLE, AS WELL.  
18 I'VE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO BECOME A STAR RECIPIENT FOR TWO  
19 DIFFERENT TEAMS THAT I'VE WORKED ON, REDEVELOPMENT AND THEN  
20 ALSO REDISTRICTING. I'VE ALSO HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO MEET SO  
21 MANY DIFFERENT INTERESTING PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN HERE AT THE  
22 BOARD, FROM ATHLETES TO ASTRONAUTS, SINGERS, MUSICIANS. AND  
23 THIS IS REALLY THE VERY BEST PLACE TO HAVE BEEN TO WORK. I'VE  
24 DEVELOPED SO MANY DIFFERENT LONG-TERM RELATIONSHIPS WITH  
25 VARIOUS INDIVIDUALS IN THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE AS WELL AS THE

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1 VARIOUS COUNTY DEPARTMENTS. I'VE SEEN DEPUTIES BECOME  
2 SUPERVISORS. [LAUGHTER.] I'VE SEEN SECRETARIES BECOME  
3 DEPUTIES. THE DEPARTMENT FAMILY IS JUST AWESOME TO WORK WITH.  
4 YOU KNOW, I'VE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO WORK WITH COUNTY  
5 COUNSELS, C.E.O., FIRE DEPARTMENT, SHERIFF DEPARTMENT AND  
6 EVERY ONE OF THOSE EXPERIENCES HAS TAUGHT ME SOMETHING, SO  
7 THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE HAVE OUR BOY SCOUTS RUNNING A LITTLE LATE,  
10 SO WE WILL DO LITTLE BREEZY'S ADOPTION FIRST. SHE'S A LITTLE  
11 GIRL. TERRIER MIX. 1-1/2 YEARS OLD. I KNOW WE HAVE STUDENTS  
12 HERE FROM AMERICAN STATES BURROW'S HIGH SCHOOL RIGHT NEXT TO  
13 DISNEY STUDIOS, SO MAYBE THIS IS A GOOD POTENTIAL STAR FOR  
14 DISNEY. SO ANYBODY WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT BREEZY YOU CAN CALL  
15 562-728-4610. AND LITTLE BREEZY CAN BE YOU. KIND OF A BIG  
16 BREEZE. LET ME RECOGNIZE THE STUDENTS FROM JUNIOR STATESMEN OF  
17 AMERICA FROM JOHN BURROUGHS HIGH SCHOOL. CAN THEY STAND UP AT  
18 THIS TIME? THANK YOU FOR COMING DOWN. [APPLAUSE.] AND THEY  
19 WANT EACH OF THE MEMBERS TO HAVE THIS "DON'T HATE- DEBATE" SO  
20 WE'LL GIVE EACH ONE OF YOU GUYS A LITTLE PIN FROM THE  
21 STUDENTS. SO THANK YOU FOR COMING DOWN. I SPOKE WITH THEM  
22 EARLIER THIS MORNING AND THAT'S WHY I MISSED THE OPENING  
23 INVOCATION WITH OUR PASTOR FROM SANTA CLARITA. BUT WE WERE  
24 TALKING A LITTLE ABOUT COUNTY GOVERNMENT. AND WE APPRECIATE  
25 THEIR INTEREST IN COMING DOWN. THEY HAVE A GREAT TEACHER WHO



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1 WAS ALSO A FORMER JUNIOR STATESMAN WITH DEBBY MENDELSON MY  
2 DEPUTY. SO WE NEVER LEAVE THE COUNTY. WE JUST STAY HERE AND  
3 GET BETTER. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR COMING DOWN.

4 [APPLAUSE.]

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WE'LL START WITH OUR ITEM NO. 1  
7 UNDER PUBLIC HEARINGS. MADAME EXECUTIVE OFFICER?

8

9 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ACTUALLY, IF I COULD SWEAR ALL  
10 THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE BOARD TO PLEASE STAND AND  
11 RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND TO BE SWORN IN. THE PUBLIC HEARINGS WILL  
12 BEGIN WITH 1-H, 1, 2 AND 3. AND IN THE TESTIMONY YOU MAY GIVE  
13 BEFORE THIS BOARD, DO YOU SOLEMNLY AFFIRM TO TELL THE TRUTH,  
14 THE WHOLE TRUTH AND NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH SO HELP YOU GOD?  
15 THANK YOU. YOU MAY BE SEATED. ON ITEM NO. 1-H, THIS IS A  
16 HEARING TO CONSIDER THE HOUSING AUTHORITY'S ANNUAL PLAN FOR  
17 FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015 WHICH UPDATES THE HOUSING AUTHORITY'S  
18 PROGRAM GOALS, MAJOR POLICIES AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES FOR  
19 SUBMISSION TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN  
20 DEVELOPMENT. THERE IS NO DEPARTMENT STATEMENT. NO  
21 CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED. AND THERE ARE--

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** EXCUSE ME. WHAT ITEM IS THIS?

24

25 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ITEM 1-H UNDER THE HOUSING.

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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'RE GOING TO CONTINUE THE ITEM. I'M  
3 GOING TO HOLD THE ITEM UNTIL SUCH TIME THAT MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS  
4 IS HERE. SO WE WILL GO TO ITEM NO. 1.

5

6 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** OKAY. WE WILL MOVE TO ITEM NO. 1.  
7 SO THIS IS A HEARING ON THE WEED ABATEMENT AND BRUSH CLEARANCE  
8 REFEREE'S REPORT TO ABATE HAZARDOUS BRUSH, DRY GRASS, NOXIOUS  
9 OR DANGEROUS WEEDS, RUBBISH AND COMBUSTIBLE GROWTH OR  
10 FLAMMABLE VEGETATION TO INCLUDE NATIVE AND ORNAMENTAL  
11 VEGETATION ON DESIGNATED, IMPROVED AND UNIMPROVED PROPERTIES  
12 IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AGAIN, THERE IS NO DEPARTMENT  
13 STATEMENT. NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED. BUT THERE ARE  
14 INDIVIDUALS WHO WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THERE IS ONLY ONE SPEAKER THAT  
17 SIGNED UP FOR ITEM NO. 1, EXCUSE ME, NOT ITEM NO. 1-H, ARNOLD  
18 SACHS. OKAY. PASSES. SO THE ITEM IS BEFORE US. WE'LL MOVE TO  
19 CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.  
20 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO  
21 ORDERED.

22

23 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ON ITEM NO. 2, THIS IS  
24 THE HEARING ON AMENDMENTS TO THE COUNTY CODE TITLE 32, FIRE  
25 CODE WHICH ARE INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE PORTIONS OF THE 2010

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1 EDITION OF THE CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE AND ADOPTS BY REFERENCE  
2 THE 2013 EDITION OF THE CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE AND THE 2012  
3 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE WHICH HAS BEEN  
4 INCORPORATED INTO THE 2013 ADDITION OF THE CALIFORNIA FIRE  
5 CODE. ON THIS ITEM, AGAIN THERE IS NO DEPARTMENT STATEMENT. NO  
6 CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED. BUT I BELIEVE THERE ARE TWO  
7 SPEAKERS ON THIS ITEM.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OH YES. ARNOLD SACHS AND ERIC PREVEN.

10

11 **ERIC PREVEN:** ARE WE ON? GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,  
12 IT'S ERIC PREVEN, THE COUNTY RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3 AND  
13 THIRD-DISTRICT SUPERVISORIAL CANDIDATE CURRENTLY. THIS IS  
14 INTERESTING. THIS IS SOME CHANGES TO THE FIRE CODE. AND IN  
15 PARTICULAR I JUST WANT TO BE VERY CLEAR BECAUSE I KNOW MAYOR  
16 ANTONOVICH WHO IS NOT IN THE ROOM NOW BUT IS VERY INTERESTED  
17 IN THE PRODUCTION ISSUES AND MAKING IT SO THAT ENTERTAINMENT  
18 COMPANIES CAN PRODUCE HERE IN LOS ANGELES AT REASONABLE RATES  
19 AND WITH VARIOUS KINDS OF SUPPORT. THERE IS ON PAGE 99  
20 SOMETHING THAT DEFINES COMMERCIAL STILL PHOTOGRAPHY PRODUCTION  
21 AS SOMETHING THAT IS ALSO TO BE PERMITTED. AND THAT WORRIES ME  
22 BECAUSE, YOU KNOW, WE DO NOT WANT TO GET INTO-- LOOK. THE FIRE  
23 DEPARTMENT HAS SOME STRUCTURAL ISSUES AS WE'VE LEARNED ABOUT  
24 OVER THE YEARS AND WE'LL LEARN MORE ABOUT AS WE GO THROUGH THE  
25 BUDGET PROCESS. HOWEVER, THIS IS NOT A WAY TO MAKE UP THAT

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1   STRUCTURAL DAMAGE BY CHARGING FEES AND PERMITS TO  
2   ENTERTAINMENT COMPANIES. IN FACT, AS WE KNOW, \$1.5 BILLION  
3   WORTH OF INCENTIVES HAVE BEEN-- MAYOR ANTONOVICH, I WANTED YOU  
4   TO HEAR IT, \$1.5 BILLION WORTH OF INCENTIVES FROM OTHER STATES  
5   HAVE BEEN PUT IN PLACE TO LURE OUR PRODUCTION AWAY. SO, MAYOR  
6   ANTONOVICH, WHY IS THAT ITEM 10? I THINK IT'S IN CONNECTION  
7   WITH THIS ITEM, IS LOOKING TO GET SOME STATE SUPPORT AND ALSO  
8   SOME CITY SUPPORT WITH THE FIVE-SIGNATURE LETTER ABOUT THIS  
9   ISSUE. MY SUGGESTION IS: C.C. THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, TOO.  
10   BECAUSE WE HAVE A \$25 BILLION BUDGET, FOLKS. IF WE COULD COME  
11   UP WITH 1 PERCENT SAVINGS, THAT'S \$250 MILLION. PUT THAT  
12   AGAINST THE 1.5 BILLION IN INCENTIVES. WE NEED TO KEEP OUR  
13   STUDIOS BACK WORKING HERE IN LOS ANGELES. THIS IS PART OF MY  
14   ROAD MAP HOME INITIATIVE WHICH I'LL BE TALKING MORE ABOUT. AND  
15   ANOTHER PIECE WHICH THE STUDIOS ARE NOT GOING TO ENJOY  
16   HEARING, IS THE STUDIOS HAVE TO BE GOOD CITIZENS. LET'S FACE  
17   IT. DISNEY AND PARAMOUNT AND UNIVERSAL, ALL THESE PART OF THE  
18   FABRIC OF LOS ANGELES AND THEY ARE LEAVING NOT BECAUSE OF GOOD  
19   CITIZENSHIP. THEY'RE LEAVING BECAUSE OF ECONOMIC INCENTIVES.  
20   WE NEED TO MEET THEM IN THE MIDDLE. MAYOR ANTONOVICH, I  
21   APPRECIATE YOU LEADING THIS IN ON ITEM NO. 10. AND THE FIRE  
22   DEPARTMENT LOOK CAREFULLY SO WE DON'T HAVE UNNECESSARY AND  
23   UNWANTED PRODUCTION FEES. PERMIT FEES.  
24  
25   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

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1

2   **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD SACHS. WHY  
3   YOU'RE AGENDIZING THIS ITEM, I'M JUST WONDERING BECAUSE BACK  
4   ON FEBRUARY 4, 2014, YOU HAD ANOTHER ITEM ON YOUR AGENDA  
5   ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE CONSOLIDATED FIRE  
6   PROTECTION DISTRICT, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVES THE  
7   INTRODUCTION AND WAIVER READING OF THE ORDINANCE AMENDING  
8   TITLE 32, FIRE CODE, WHICH ADOPTS BY REFERENCE THE 2013  
9   CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE AND THE 2012 INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE AND  
10   ADOPTS TITLE 32 AS THE FIRE CODE FOR THE DISTRICT, WHICH IS  
11   PRETTY MUCH WHAT YOU'RE DOING HERE, I THINK. SO IF YOU DID IT  
12   BACK IN FEBRUARY, WHAT'S THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR, FOR TODAY?  
13   OH, THIS IS 2012, NO, IT'S GOT 2012 IN HERE. THE 2012 EDITION  
14   OF THE INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE WHICH IT SAYS HERE AND THE 2012  
15   INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE. SO WHAT EXACTLY-- YOU'RE REPEATING  
16   YOURSELF HERE. WHY THE SECOND TIME AROUND? I MEAN, IT'S USED  
17   GOODS. BUT MY CONCERNS ALSO DEAL WITH HAVE YOU HEARD ANYTHING  
18   ABOUT WHAT'S GOING ON IN THE CITY? YOU KNOW, SOME OF THEIR  
19   PROBLEMS THEY SEEM TO BE HAVING WITH THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. AND  
20   WHY DOESN'T THE COUNTY ADD ITS EXCELLENCE TO HELP THE CITY OUT  
21   IN THE HIRING PROBLEM? BY THE WAY, IS THERE A HIRING PROBLEM  
22   WITH THIS FIRE DEPARTMENT HERE? NO NEPOTISM IN THE FIRE  
23   DEPARTMENT, IS THERE?

24

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MR. SACHS, PLEASE ADDRESS THE FIRE CODE.

2    IT'S NOT ABOUT PERSONNEL ITEMS. THE ITEM IS BEFORE US.

3

4    **ARNOLD SACHS:** YOU JUST HAD SOMEONE COME UP HERE AND TALK ABOUT

5    ITEM NO. 10, SIR, YOU DIDN'T BUST HIS BUTT. I'M ASKING ABOUT

6    THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. YOU'RE WORKING WITH THE CITY--

7

8    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THIS ITEM.

9

10   **ARNOLD SACHS:** YOU'RE WORKING WITH THE CITY OF L.A. I'M ASKING

11   ABOUT FIRE CODES. I'M ASKING ABOUT HIRING. YOU JUST GAVE THE

12   CITY PROPERTY FOR THE METRO-- THE LARICS COMMUNICATIONS

13   SYSTEM. HOW DO YOU DEAL WITH THEM? AND NOT DEAL WITH THAT WITH

14   THE FIRE CODE?

15

16   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

17

18   **ARNOLD SACHS:** I HEARD THAT ITEM.

19

20   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE ITEM IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY

21   SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT

22   OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. OKAY. MR. ANTONOVICH?

23

24   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS, RIGHT NOW WE ARE GOING

25   TO HONOR THE ST. MARK'S BOY SCOUT TROOP ON THEIR 100TH



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1 ANNIVERSARY. TODAY WITH US IS THE REVEREND CARRIE PATTERSON  
2 GRINDON, SCOUT MASTER ALLEN JOVANOVIICH, ASSISTANT SCOUT  
3 MASTER, CRAIG SNODGRASS, ASSISTANT SCOUT MASTER, ARMAND, WHO  
4 IS ALSO PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER FOR OUR DEPARTMENT AND  
5 CHILDREN FAMILY SERVICES AND THAT'S ARMAND MONTELL. THIS TROOP  
6 WAS FOUNDED IN 1914 AT ST. MARSH EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN ALTADENA  
7 AND BECAME THE FIRST CHARTERED BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA IN THE  
8 SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, THE BIRTHPLACE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. FOR  
9 100 YEARS THEY PROVIDED THOUSANDS OF HOURS OF SERVICE TO OUR  
10 COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY AND TRAINED HUNDREDS OF BOY  
11 SCOUTS TO BE PREPARED TO HELP OTHERS AND TO BE GOOD STEWARDS  
12 OF OUR COUNTY'S FORESTS AND WILDERNESS. AND I HAD THE  
13 OPPORTUNITY OF BEING AT ONE OF THEIR EAGLE PROGRAMS AND HAD AN  
14 OPPORTUNITY TO SAY A FEW WORDS TO THE MEN AND WOMEN. BUT MORE  
15 IMPORTANTLY TO THEIR PARENTS AND THEIR FOSTER PARENTS WHO HAVE  
16 ENCOURAGED AND BEEN INVOLVED IN SUPPORTING OUR BOY SCOUTS AND  
17 THE SCOUT TROOP LEADERS. THESE MEN AND WOMEN WHO ARE INVOLVED  
18 WITH THE SCOUTING DO A TREMENDOUS JOB IN BEING ROLE MODELS FOR  
19 OUR YOUNG PEOPLE. SO IT'S A PLEASURE TO REPRESENT THAT AREA OF  
20 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND THE FIFTH DISTRICT AND PRESENT  
21 THIS 100TH ANNIVERSARY PROCLAMATION TO ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL  
22 BOY SCOUT TROOP 1. [APPLAUSE.]

23

24 **SPEAKER:** WELL, I'D LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND ALL  
25 OF THE BOARD FOR THIS HONOR. IT IS NOT ONLY A PRIVILEGE BUT

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1 IT'S ALSO A PLEASURE TO BE ABLE TO SERVE THE YOUTH OF LOS  
2 ANGELES COUNTY AND ALTADENA AND ST. MARK'S THROUGH THE BOY  
3 SCOUT PROGRAM. I'M PRIVILEGED. [APPLAUSE.]

4

5 **SPEAKER:** I JUST ALSO WANT TO EXTEND MY THANKS TO SUPERVISOR  
6 ANTONOVICH AND ALL THE SUPERVISORS FOR THIS HONOR AND SHARE  
7 WITH YOU THE GREAT DELIGHT IT IS TO BE THE SPONSORING  
8 ORGANIZATION FOR TROOP 1. THEY REALLY ARE A GIFT TO OUR  
9 COMMUNITY. SO THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING US TO BE WITH YOU THIS  
10 MORNING. [APPLAUSE.]

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'LL GO BACK TO THE AGENDA.

13

14 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** OKAY. WE ARE ON ITEM NO. 3 AND  
15 THIS IS THE DE NOVO HEARING ON PROJECT T.R.-070854-5, IN THE  
16 MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE PROJECT LOCATED AT  
17 5662-5624 WALNUT GROVE AVENUE IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY  
18 OF SAN GABRIEL WITHIN THE EAST PASADENA-SAN GABRIEL COMMUNITY  
19 STANDARDS DISTRICT IN THE EAST SAN GABRIEL ZONE DISTRICT  
20 APPLIED FOR BY PATRICK AND GERTRUDE LU TO CREATE ONE MULTI-  
21 FAMILY LOT FOR 18 NEW CONDOMINIUM UNITS ON A ONE GROSS ACRE  
22 PARCEL. THERE IS A DEPARTMENT STATEMENT, AND CORRESPONDENCE  
23 WAS RECEIVED, AND THERE ARE SPEAKERS ON THIS ITEM.

24

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. LET'S HEAR FROM THE  
2    DEPARTMENT.

3

4    **JEFF LEMIEUX:** GOOD MORNING, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. MY NAME IS  
5    JEFF LEMIEUX, AND I'M THE PRINCIPAL PLANNER WITH THE  
6    DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING. ON OCTOBER 30, 2013, THE  
7    REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION CONDUCTED A PUBLIC HEARING FOR  
8    PLAN AMENDMENT AND THE ZONE CHANGE REQUEST FOR TWO CONTIGUOUS  
9    PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 5622 AND 5624 WALNUT GROVE AVENUE IN THE  
10    EAST SAN GABRIEL ZONE DISTRICT. THE PLAN AMENDMENT WOULD RE-  
11    DESIGNATE THE PROPERTIES FROM CATEGORY 1, LOW DENSITY  
12    RESIDENTIAL, TO CATEGORY 3, MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL AND THE  
13    ZONE CHANGE WOULD RE-DESIGNATE THE ZONING FROM -A1-10,000  
14    WHICH IS LIGHT AGRICULTURAL WITH A 10,000 SQUARE FOOT MINIMUM  
15    LOT SIZE, TO R-3 T.P. LIMITED MULTIPLE RESIDENCE WITH A  
16    DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM. A TRACT MAP AND CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT  
17    WERE ALSO PART OF THE REQUEST. THE TRACT MAP WAS FOR THE  
18    CONDOMINIUM SUBDIVISION AND THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT WAS TO  
19    IMPLEMENT THE D.P., DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM ADDENDUM TO THE R-3  
20    ZONE. REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION DETERMINED THAT THE  
21    PROPOSED PLAN AMENDMENT AND ZONE CHANGE DESIGNATION ARE  
22    APPROPRIATE FOR THE SUBJECT PROPERTIES AND ARE CONSISTENT WITH  
23    THE COUNTYWIDE GENERAL PLAN. REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION  
24    FINDS THAT THE PROPOSED PROJECT USE IS COMPATIBLE WITH THE  
25    SURROUNDING USES AND WILL NOT HAVE A SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE

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1 ENVIRONMENT WITH THE REQUIRED MITIGATION MEASURES IMPLEMENTED.  
2 THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDS THAT THE BOARD  
3 ADOPT THE PLAN AMENDMENT AND ZONE CHANGE AND APPROVE THE TRACT  
4 MAP AND CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT. THIS CONCLUDES MY REPORT TO  
5 THE BOARD. DEPARTMENT STAFF AND THE APPLICANT ARE HERE,  
6 AVAILABLE FOR ANY QUESTIONS THE BOARD MAY HAVE. THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS OF STAFF? MIKE?

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THERE WERE 104  
11 SURVEY LETTERS SENT OUT TO THE PROPERTY OWNERS WITHIN THE  
12 RADIUS OF THIS PROPERTY, OF WHICH 44 WERE IN SUPPORT OF THE  
13 PROJECT AND 3 WERE NOT. AND 57 HAD NO COMMENT OR DID NOT  
14 RESPOND:

15

16 **JEFF LEMIEUX:** THAT IS CORRECT.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THERE WAS NO WRITTEN OR VERBAL COMMENTS IN  
19 OPPOSITION TO THE PROJECT THAT WAS BROUGHT TO YOUR ATTENTION,  
20 EXCEPT THIS.

21

22 **JEFF LEMIEUX:** THERE WAS SOMETHING TO THE BOARD FOR THE BOARD  
23 HEARING. FOR THE SURVEY, THERE WAS THREE RESPONSES TOTAL FOR  
24 NONSUPPORT.

25

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

2

3    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? WE HAVE A COUPLE  
4    SPEAKERS SIGNED UP. PIPER FOGLE, AND ROSEMARY SLOSS, COME  
5    FORWARD AND ARNOLD SACHS. GO AHEAD AND JUST STATE YOUR NAME  
6    FOR THE RECORD AND THEN BEGIN YOUR TESTIMONY.

7

8    **PIPER FOGLE:** SORRY, THANK YOU. MY NAME IS PIPER FOGLE. AND I  
9    AM HERE IN OPPOSITION TO THIS PROJECT THAT IS ON WALNUT GROVE  
10   MOSTLY BECAUSE OF THE SIZE OF THE PROJECT, THE 18 UNITS OF THE  
11   CONDOMINIUMS ON A LOT THAT NOW CONTAINS SIX HOUSES. AND ONE OF  
12   THE PROBLEMS THAT I FEEL THAT HAS NOT BEEN ADDRESSED IS THE  
13   ISSUE OF THE WATER THAT COMES FROM THIS SMALL WATER DISTRICT  
14   THAT WE WILL BE DRAWING FROM. IN ADDITION TO THE FACT THAT  
15   THERE WILL BE ANOTHER 82 UNITS THAT WILL BE ADDED TO THIS SAN  
16   GABRIEL CITY, WHICH WILL BE DRAWING FROM THE WATER. AND I  
17   NOTICED IN YOUR LETTER WHEN I RECEIVED THE NOTICE OF THE  
18   PUBLIC HEARING THAT AS FAR AS ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES, TRAFFIC,  
19   RECYCLING AND LIBRARY SERVICES WAS MENTIONED, BUT NOTHING  
20   ABOUT WATER, SEWERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT, POLICE, SHERIFFS AND  
21   SCHOOLS. SO I WOULD LIKE TO SAY THAT I FEEL THAT THIS PROPERTY  
22   IS RUN DOWN AND IT WOULD BE NICE TO HAVE IT REDEVELOPED. BUT I  
23   AM CONTESTING WHAT IS THE AMOUNT OF PEOPLE WHO WOULD BE IN  
24   THAT ONE ACRE LOT. IF YOU HAVE 18 UNITS THERE, YOU PUT FOUR  
25   PEOPLE IN A CONDOMINIUM, THAT'S OVER 70 PEOPLE IN JUST THAT

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1 ONE LITTLE AREA. AND THAT AREA BETWEEN LAS TUNIS AND BROADWAY  
2 IS A VERY-- IS A ONE LANE EACH WAY. IT'S VERY CROWDED AND VERY  
3 DENSE ALREADY. AND IT WILL ADD TO SIGNIFICANT TRAFFIC ISSUES.  
4 AND THAT'S WHAT I HAVE TO SAY. THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

7

8 **ROSEMARY SLOSS:** MY NAME IS ROSEMARY SLOSS. AND I LIVE TWO  
9 DOORS FROM PIPER. THE THING IS: ONCE YOU CHANGE THE ZONING,  
10 YOU CAN SAY IT'S ONLY THIS DISTRICT, THIS PROPERTY, BUT THAT  
11 DOESN'T HOLD. WE ARE GOING TO TURN INTO CONDOS. AND WE ARE IN  
12 A DROUGHT. WE ARE SUPPOSED TO CUT BACK 20 PERCENT OF OUR WATER  
13 USAGE ACROSS THE STATE. SO I REALLY THINK NOT ONLY THIS  
14 PROJECT BUT ALL CONDO PROJECTS IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY  
15 SHOULD BE HALTED FOR A YEAR TO SEE IF WE GET SUFFICIENT RAIN.  
16 IF WE CAN SUPPORT MORE PEOPLE OUT THERE. AND THEN YOU CAN LOOK  
17 AT IT AGAIN. BUT TO SAY THAT THE WATER IS NOT AN ISSUE AT THIS  
18 POINT IS RIDICULOUS. AND THE REST OF IT IS ONCE YOU CHANGE A  
19 ZONING ON ONE OR TWO PROPERTIES, YOU DO IT CLEAR ACROSS-THE-  
20 BOARD. AND WE DON'T WANT TO BECOME JUST CONDOS UPON CONDOS.  
21 THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. MR. SACHS?

24

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1   **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD SACHS. A  
2   COUPLE THINGS THAT THESE WOMEN BROUGHT TO YOUR ATTENTION. THE  
3   ONE LANE FRONTAGE, WELL BASICALLY ONE LANE IN EACH DIRECTION.  
4   WILL THERE BE IMPROVEMENT REQUIRED BY THE DEVELOPER FOR THE  
5   ROADWAY? WILL THERE BE A STOPLIGHT REQUIRED BY THE DEVELOPER  
6   FOR THE ROADWAY? AND THE OTHER YOUNG LADY MENTIONED THE  
7   ZONING. HOW MUCH OF THE AREA IS ZONED CURRENTLY AS LIGHT  
8   AGRICULTURAL? THERE'S A LOT OF PROPERTY ABOUT THIS ONE  
9   PARTICULAR ACRE? HOW MUCH DOES THIS OPEN UP THE PROPERTY? YOU  
10   KNOW, WHAT YOU HAVE HERE IS A MINI DEVELOPMENT LIKE YOU HAVE  
11   UP IN THE SAN DIMAS AREA WHERE THEY'RE GOING TO DEVELOP THE  
12   30,000 HOMES UP THERE. AND SANTA SUZANNA, SANTA CLARITA  
13   VALLEY. WELL HOW MUCH OF THIS OPENS UP TO DEVELOPERS? WE KNOW  
14   FROM PREVIOUS ACTIVITY THAT SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH TOOK WITH  
15   DISNEY, HOW THEY CHANGED THE FLOOD CONTROL PLAIN INTO  
16   DEVELOPMENTAL PROPERTY FOR DISNEY. HOW MUCH OF THIS WILL OPEN  
17   UP THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY FOR MORE DEVELOPERS? AND IF THE  
18   ZONING IS CHANGED, HOW DOES THAT IMPACT THE LAND USE  
19   DEVELOPMENT CATEGORY? OR IF THE LAND USE CATEGORY BECOMES  
20   CHANGED, IS THERE A METHOD TO THE MADNESS THAT THE PUBLIC CAN  
21   TAKE TO CONTROL EITHER ONE OF THOSE DIFFERENT CATEGORIES TO  
22   MAINTAIN SOME KIND OF CONTROL OVER THE QUALITY OF LIFE? PRETTY  
23   SIMPLE QUESTIONS. WHY DON'T YOU GIVE THEM AN ANSWER?  
24



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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. THE ITEM IS BEFORE US.

2    SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

3

4    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** COULD WE HAVE THE STAFF RESPOND TO THE ISSUES  
5    RELATIVE TO THE TRAFFIC AND THE WATER AND THE SCHOOLS AND THE  
6    LIBRARY?

7

8    **JEFF LEMIEUX:** YES. MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION WAS PREPARED  
9    FOR THE PROJECT. THE PROJECT DID GET A "WILL SERVE" LETTER  
10   FROM THE LOCAL WATER AGENCY FOR WATER AND SEWER SAYING THAT  
11   THEY WILL BE ABLE TO ACCOMMODATE THE PROJECT. AND THE TRAFFIC  
12   IMPACT FEES WERE WORKED OUT WITH OUR IMPACT ANALYSIS SECTION.  
13   AND THEY WILL BE PAYING OVER \$18,000 TO THE CITY OF SAN  
14   GABRIEL FOR MITIGATION FEES.

15

16   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO TRAFFIC SIGNALS OR STOP SIGNS APPROPRIATE  
17   FOR THE AREA?

18

19   **JEFF LEMIEUX:** THAT WAS NOT CALLED OUT FOR THE MITIGATION IN  
20   THE ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION.

21

22   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DID YOU VIEW THE SITE?

23

24   **JEFF LEMIEUX:** YES.

25

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IS THERE NEED OF A TRAFFIC OR STOP SIGN?

2

3    **JEFF LEMIEUX:** STAFF DID NOT FEEL THAT WOULD BE A PROBLEM.

4

5    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO. DID YOU VISIT IT IN YOUR OBSERVATION

6    THERE IS NO--?

7

8    **JEFF LEMIEUX:** THERE WAS NO NEED FOR IT.

9

10    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. CLOSE THE HEARING, MOVE THE ITEM.

11

12    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH TO CLOSE

13    THE HEARING. CHAIR WILL SECOND. THE ITEM IS BEFORE US. MOVED

14    BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

15    WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO BE THE ORDER. THANK YOU.

16

17    **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** AND MR. CHAIRMAN, THAT COMPLETES

18    THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS. I DON'T KNOW IF YOU WANT TO TAKE UP

19    ITEM 1-H.

20

21    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'LL GO BACK WITH 1-H. THAT'S WHAT WE

22    STARTED. AND SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS ASKED THAT WE HOLD IT. I

23    SAID RIDLEY-THOMAS. RIDLEY-THOMAS ASKED THAT IT BE HELD.

24

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1    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. CHAIRMAN. IF  
2    THERE ARE PERSONS WHO WISH TO BE HEARD, IT'S FINE WITH ME THAT  
3    THEY BE AFFORDED THE OPPORTUNITY AT THIS POINT. AND THEN I  
4    HAVE A READ-IN MOTION ON BEHALF OF SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY AND  
5    MYSELF.

6

7    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. DAVID HOWDEN. FERNANDO GAYTAN.  
8    GREG SPIEGEL. AND LISA PAYNE WILL BE THE FIRST FOUR. OKAY.  
9    WHOEVER WOULD LIKE TO GO FIRST JUST STATE YOUR NAME FOR THE  
10   RECORD AND BEGIN.

11

12   **DAVID HOWDEN:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS DAVID HOWDEN. I'M WITH  
13   THE CORPORATION FOR SUPPORTIVE HOUSING. FIRST AND FOREMOST, WE  
14   WOULD LIKE TO COMMEND THE BOARD AS WELL AS H.A.C.O.L.A., FOR  
15   THE COMMITMENT TO REDUCING HOMELESSNESS AND FOR EXPANDING  
16   HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS.  
17   AND TOWARD THAT END, WE STRONGLY SUPPORT H.A.C.O.L.A.'S  
18   RECOMMENDATION TO INSTITUTE A WAITING LIST, A LIMITED WAITING  
19   LIST, PREFERENCED FOR HOMELESS INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES. WE  
20   ALSO URGE H.A.C.O.L.A. TO MODIFY ITS PLAN TO DIRECT PERMANENT  
21   SUPPORTIVE HOUSING PROVIDERS CONTRACTING WITH THE COUNTY TO  
22   USE THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPED COORDINATED ENTRY SYSTEM. THE  
23   COORDINATED ENTRY SYSTEM, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS C.E.S. IS A WAY  
24   TO ENSURE THAT OUR RESOURCES, TO ENSURE THAT WE AS A COUNTY  
25   ARE TARGETING OUR RESOURCES TO THOSE THAT ARE MOST IN NEED AND

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1    HELP SIGNIFICANTLY ACCELERATE PROGRESS TOWARD ENDING  
2    HOMELESSNESS IN THE COUNTY. THANK YOU.

3

4    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. NEXT?

5

6    **GREG SPIEGEL:** HELLO. I'M GREG SPIEGEL WITH INNER-CITY LAW  
7    CENTER. WHILE THERE'S MUCH GOOD IN THE H.A.C.O.L.A. PLAN,  
8    THERE ARE TWO PLACES WHERE IT NEEDS TO BE CHANGED. ONE IS THAT  
9    IT REINSTITUTES A BAN ON PEOPLE ON PROBATION PAROLE FROM  
10   SECTION 8. AND IT INCREASES THE CRIMINAL LOOKBACK PERIOD FROM  
11   2 YEARS TO 3 YEARS ON PEOPLE WHO ARE HOMELESS. THIS IS BEING  
12   TRIGGERED BY A H.U.D. DIRECTIVE THAT SECTION 8 HAS TO HAVE THE  
13   SAME RULES APPLY TO ALL PEOPLE. AND SO H.A.C.O.L.A. 'S  
14   PROPOSING TO INCREASE THE CRIMINAL LOOKBACK PERIOD ON HOMELESS  
15   RECIPIENTS AND REINSTITUTE A PROBATION PAROLE BAN THAT THIS  
16   BOARD IN ITS WISDOM GOT RID OF IN 2012. SINCE IT GOT RID OF  
17   THAT PROBATION PAROLE BAN, IT DID SO TO BE ABLE TO HOUSE MORE  
18   CHRONICALLY HOMELESS PEOPLE, WHICH WOULD LESS PEOPLE ON THE  
19   STREET, MORE SAVINGS FOR COUNTY MONEY, AS WELL AS YOU'VE  
20   RECOGNIZED THAT THERE'S PLENTY OF OTHER CRIMINAL BANS ALREADY  
21   IN PLACE, INCLUDING THE BANS YOU ALREADY HAVE IN PLACE, ARE  
22   PREVIOUSLY EVICTED FOR DRUG-RELATED CRIMINAL ACTIVITY,  
23   CONVICTED FOR MANUFACTURE OF METH- AMPHETAMINES, CURRENTLY  
24   ENGAGED IN ILLEGAL USE OF A DRUG, SUBJECT TO LIFETIME SEX  
25   OFFENDER REGISTRATION, ABUSING ALCOHOL, ENGAGED IN DRUG

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1 RELATED CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES, ENGAGED IN VIOLENT CRIMINAL  
2 ACTIVITIES, ENGAGED IN OTHER CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES, ENGAGED IN  
3 OTHER CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES WHICH MAY THREATEN HEALTH, SAFETY,  
4 OWNERS OR HOUSING AUTHORITY OR STAFF, EDGE GAUGED IN FRAUD OR  
5 BRIBERY ASSOCIATED WITH ANY FEDERAL HOUSING PROGRAM. ALL THOSE  
6 ARE IN PLACE. YOU DO NOT NEED A PROBATION PAROLE BAN. IT  
7 DOESN'T IMPACT ANYBODY EXCEPT THE PEOPLE WHO'VE ONLY COMMITTED  
8 TRIVIAL OFFENSES, WHO ARE BEST SERVED BY BEING HOUSED ON THE  
9 STREET. REINSTITUTION OF THIS PROBATION PAROLE BAN WILL MEAN  
10 PEOPLE WHO SHOULD BE HOUSED, AND ARE BEST HOUSED, WILL BE LEFT  
11 ON THE STREET, WILL NOT BE SERVED BY SECTION 8. IT PUTS  
12 H.A.C.O.L.A. IN THE POSITION OF HAVING TO NOW GO BACK TO THE  
13 COURTS AND GET PEOPLE ON PROBATION, PAROLE ASKING JUDGES TO  
14 REMOVE PROBATION. IT'S MUCH SIMPLER. YOU DON'T NEED IT. GET  
15 RID OF THE PROBATION PAROLE BAN. THANKS.

16  
17 **FERNANDO GAYTAN:** GOOD MORNING. FERNANDO GAYTAN WITH THE LEGAL  
18 AID FOUNDATION OF LOS ANGELES. ACCORDING TO THE NATIONAL LOW-  
19 INCOME HOUSING COALITION, RENTS HAVE GONE EXTREMELY  
20 UNAFFORDABLE. AND THEY MAKE IT SO THAT SOMEONE ON MINIMUM WAGE  
21 HAS TO MAKE THREE TIMES AS MUCH JUST TO AFFORD A TWO- BEDROOM  
22 HOME. THIS PLACES POOR AND LOW INCOME FAMILIES IN A PRECARIOUS  
23 POSITION. VOUCHER SUBSIDIES ARE A VITAL PART OF PREVENTING  
24 HOMELESSNESS AND CREATING STABILITY FOR PEOPLE MOST  
25 VULNERABLE. TWO YEARS AGO H.A.C.O.L.A. TOOK THE RATIONAL STEP

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1 OF PROTECTING THE MOST VULNERABLE, THE CHRONICALLY HOMELESS,  
2 FROM LOSING THEIR VOUCHERS, BY ELIMINATING PROBATION OR  
3 PAROLEE BANS AND ALSO REQUIRING ONLY A TWO-YEAR LOOKBACK  
4 PERIOD. CHRONICALLY HOMELESS ARE MORE LIKELY TO HAVE A  
5 CRIMINAL BACKGROUND FOR MINOR OFFENSES. AND WHEN HOUSED, IT  
6 ALLOWS THEM TO HAVE A STABLE HOME, AND STABILITY MAKES THEM  
7 LESS RELIANT ON EMERGENCY SERVICES, LESS COSTS FOR THE COUNTY.  
8 THE HOUSING AUTHORITY'S NOW PROPOSING TAKING TWO STEPS BACK BY  
9 ONCE AGAIN INCREASING THE CRIMINAL LOOKBACK PERIOD,  
10 ELIMINATING THE PROTECTION FOR CHRONICALLY HOMELESS. THIS  
11 PLACES 100 CURRENTLY CHRONICALLY HOMELESS PEOPLE AT RISK OF  
12 REMAINING ON THE STREETS FOR LONGER PERIODS OF TIME, REQUIRING  
13 MORE EMERGENCY SERVICES AND INCREASING COSTS FOR THE COUNTY. I  
14 URGE YOU TO PLEASE LOOK AT THIS PROPOSAL AND PROTECT THOSE  
15 THAT ARE CHRONICALLY HOMELESS BY NOT INCREASING THE CRIMINAL  
16 LOOK BACK PERIOD. THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANKS. NEXT?

19

20 **LISA PAYNE:** HI, MY NAME IS LISA PAYNE. I'M WITH THE SOUTHERN  
21 CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF NONPROFIT HOUSING. WE COMMEND THAT  
22 H.A.C.O.L.A. HAS BEEN PUTTING TOGETHER THIS PLAN AND HAS BEEN  
23 REALLY FOCUSED ON HOUSING THE MOST IN NEED. WE ALSO COMMEND  
24 THAT H.A.C.O.L.A. HAS BEEN ISSUING B.A.S.H. AND PROJECT-BASED  
25 VOUCHERS IN EACH OF THEIR N.O.F.A.S FOR THE LAST FEW YEARS, IN

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1 RECOGNITION THAT THEY'RE ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL TO BEING ABLE TO  
2 HOUSE THE MOST AT-NEED POPULATION IN PROFESSIONALLY MANAGED  
3 APARTMENTS, AFFORDABLE APARTMENTS WITH SERVICES PROVIDED, AS  
4 WELL. BUT WE URGE H.A.C.O.L.A. TO SPECIFY IN THE ANNUAL PLAN  
5 HOW MANY VOUCHERS IT'S GOING TO BE GIVING OUT EACH YEAR SO  
6 THAT THE DEVELOPERS CAN PLAN ACCORDINGLY, SO THAT THEY WILL BE  
7 PLANNING TO PROVIDE THAT KIND OF HOUSING FOR THE MOST AT-RISK  
8 POPULATION. A FEBRUARY STUDY BY THE CALIFORNIA HOUSING  
9 PARTNERSHIP CORPORATION FOUND THAT OVER 375,000 HOUSEHOLDS IN  
10 L.A. COUNTY ARE EXTREMELY LOW INCOME AND DO NOT HAVE AN  
11 AFFORDABLE AVAILABLE APARTMENT. AS MENTIONED, WE NEED-- WE  
12 ABSOLUTELY NEED PROJECT-BASED VOUCHERS TO HOUSE THESE PEOPLE  
13 AND MAKE IT WORK. GIVEN THAT FUNDING IN THE STATE HAS BEEN CUT  
14 BY 80 PERCENT, FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT, WE  
15 ESPECIALLY NEED TO BE ABLE TO PLAN. OUR DEVELOPERS NEED TO BE  
16 ABLE TO PLAN SO THAT THEY CAN USE THE PROJECT-BASED VOUCHERS  
17 THAT ARE ISSUED TO HOUSE THESE PEOPLE. IT TAKES TWO TO THREE  
18 YEARS IN DEVELOPMENT AND PREDEVELOPMENT TO GET A PROJECT OFF  
19 THE GROUND. ALREADY OUR DEVELOPERS ARE TRYING TO PUT TOGETHER  
20 ALL THE PIECES TO MAKE IT WORK. THEY NEED TO KNOW THAT THEY'RE  
21 GOING TO BE 100 PROJECT-BASED VOUCHERS AVAILABLE IN X YEAR IN  
22 ORDER TO REALLY MAKE EFFICIENT USE OF THE PROJECT-BASED  
23 VOUCHERS GRAM. THANK YOU.

24



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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ASK THAT STEVE DIAZ JOIN US.  
2    RUTH SCHWARTZ. THELMY PEREZ.

3

4    **RUTH SCHWARTZ:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS RUTH SCHWARTZ. I'M THE  
5    DIRECTOR OF SHELTER PARTNERSHIP. YOU KNOW, WE SPOKE TO YOU TWO  
6    YEARS AGO ABOUT GETTING RID OF THE PAROLEE PROBATION, AND THAT  
7    DID HAPPEN. WE HOPE THAT YOU'LL RECONSIDER NOT GOING BACKWARDS  
8    ON THAT THIS TIME. AS YOU'VE ALREADY HEARD, YOU KNOW, HOMELESS  
9    PEOPLE, BECAUSE OF THEIR SITUATION, ARE MORE LIKELY TO  
10   INTERACT WITH THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM THAN OTHER PEOPLE.  
11   MANY OF THEM DO HAVE AN INVOLVEMENT WITH THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE  
12   SYSTEM. IT MAY NOT BE A MAJOR ISSUE, BUT IT'S AN ISSUE, AND IT  
13   MAY CAUSE THEM TO BE ON PROBATION OR PAROLE. IT'S REALLY  
14   IMPORTANT THAT OUR TWO LARGEST HOUSING AUTHORITIES IN L.A.  
15   COUNTY, THE CITY AND THE COUNTY, HAVE PARALLEL TRACKS. NOW,  
16   THE CITY HAS NEVER HAD THE PROBATION PAROLEE THING. AND THE  
17   COUNTY'S HAD THAT FOR SOME TIME. THEY ALSO HAVE A TWO-YEAR  
18   LOOKBACK PERIOD. YOU KNOW, IT'S IMPORTANT AS WE GO INTO  
19   COORDINATED ASSESSMENT AND THE LIKE THAT WE'RE ABLE TO BRING  
20   PROGRAMS TOGETHER AND NOT COME UP WITH PARALLEL DIVERSION  
21   PROGRAMS FOR HOMELESS PEOPLE. THIS POLICY ALSO DOESN'T REFLECT  
22   THE WORK THAT YOUR OTHER COUNTY DEPARTMENTS HAVE BEEN DOING  
23   WITH TRYING TO INCREASE ACCESS TO HOUSING FOR HOMELESS PEOPLE  
24   AND MAKE IT EASIER. SO I'D LIKE YOU TO RECONSIDER THAT POLICY.  
25   ALSO, JUST QUICKLY ON THE PROJECT-BASED VOUCHER ISSUE, YOU

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1 KNOW, WE'VE GOT A MAJOR PROPOSITION ON THE BALLOT, PROP 61,  
2 THAT WOULD MAKE ABOUT 7,000 TO 10,000 UNITS AVAILABLE FOR LOW  
3 INCOME VETERANS, BE THEY HOMELESS OR LOW INCOME. AND THE  
4 STATE'S ALREADY WORKING ON THEIR NOTICE OF FUNDING  
5 AVAILABILITY, ASSUMING THIS IS GOING TO PASS. SO IT'S GOING TO  
6 BE REALLY IMPORTANT FOR L.A. COUNTY TO GARNER AS MANY  
7 RESOURCES AS WE CAN FOR THAT PROGRAM. WE REALLY HAVE THAT  
8 OPPORTUNITY. BY TELLING EVERYONE AHEAD OF TIME HOW MANY  
9 PROJECT-BASED VOUCHERS WE MIGHT MAKE AVAILABLE SHOULD THAT  
10 ISSUE PASS. SO PLEASE CONSIDER THAT ISSUE, AS WELL. THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, RUTH. THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU  
13 DO.

14

15 **RUTH SCHWARTZ:** THANK YOU.

16

17 **THELMY PEREZ:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS THELMY PEREZ. I'M A  
18 COMMUNITY ORGANIZER WITH L.A. HUMAN RIGHTS HOUSING COLLECTIVE.  
19 IN MY WORK, I WORK WITH MANY SECTION 8 AND VETERANS AND  
20 RESIDENTS IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES UNDER THE B.A.S.H.  
21 PROGRAM. I UNDERSTAND THE VALUE OF THIS PROGRAM AND KNOW  
22 FIRSTHAND HOW MANY VETERANS COULD ALSO BENEFIT FROM THE  
23 B.A.S.H. PROGRAM THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. MY FATHER IS A VETERAN  
24 OF VIETNAM WAR AND MY BROTHER IS A VETERAN OF IRAQ. SAFE AND  
25 AFFORDABLE HOUSING HAS CREATED MUCH NEEDED STABILITY AND

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1    ALLOWS THEM TO ALSO BETTER ADDRESS OTHER ISSUES LIKE HEALTH  
2    AND TO AT LEAST HAVE A LITTLE MORE SPENDING MONEY FOR  
3    NECESSITIES LIKE FOOD AND TRANSPORTATION. I WANT TO ADDRESS  
4    SOME OF THE CHANGES THAT ARE NEEDED IN B.A.S.H. SECTION OF THE  
5    ANNUAL PLAN BEFORE YOU APPROVE IT. WE NEED TO ENSURE THAT A  
6    SET PORTION OF THE B.A.S.H. VOUCHERS ARE DEDICATED TO PROJECT-  
7    BASED PROJECTS EACH YEAR. IN ORDER FOR THE PROGRAM TO REACH  
8    THE MOST PEOPLE AND BE EFFECTIVE, IT HAS TO HAVE A COMBINATION  
9    OF TENANT-BASED AND PROJECT-BASED VOUCHERS. THIS IS BECAUSE  
10   RENTS ARE EXTREMELY HIGH THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY, WHICH LIMITS  
11   PEOPLE'S USE OF THE TENANT-BASED VOUCHERS. ALSO NONPROFIT  
12   HOUSING DEVELOPERS PROVIDE HIGH QUALITY HOUSING WHICH OFTEN  
13   WITH SERVICES ON SITE. AND WHEN COMBINED WITH PROJECT-BASED  
14   VOUCHERS, WE WOULD HAVE SOME OF THE BEST HOUSING OPTIONS BEING  
15   CREATED IN OUR COMMUNITIES FOR HOMELESS VETERANS. WE RECOMMEND  
16   THAT AT LEAST 200 VOUCHERS BE ALLOCATED FOR THE PROJECT-BASED  
17   PROJECTS IN THIS PLAN. I ENCOURAGE YOU TO PROVIDE THE BEST  
18   HOUSING OPTIONS FOR VETERANS LIKE MY BROTHER AND MY FATHER  
19   THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. THIS IS ONE MORE STEP YOU CAN TAKE  
20   TODAY, AND WE HOPE YOU DO EVEN MORE WITH EVERY OPPORTUNITY YOU  
21   HAVE FOR ALL OF THE VETERANS, LOW INCOME RESIDENTS AND  
22   HOMELESS RESIDENTS OF THE THIS CITY AND COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES.  
23   THANK YOU.

24

25   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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1

2 **STEVE DIAZ:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS STEVE DIAZ AND I AM WITH  
3 THE LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY ACTION NETWORK. WE WORK WITH TENANTS  
4 AND HOMELESS RESIDENTS IN DOWNTOWN AND SOUTH L.A. I AM HERE  
5 THIS MORNING TO URGE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO RE-VISIT, TO  
6 REVISE THE H.A.C.O.L.A. ANNUAL PLAN BEFORE APPROVING. I WANT  
7 TO HIGHLIGHT ONE KEY AREA IN NEED OF REVISION. FIRST IT IS AN  
8 IMPERATIVE THAT H.A.C.O.L.A. INSTITUTE THE MOST LENIENT  
9 LOOKBACK PERIOD FOR CRIMINAL BACKGROUNDS AS POSSIBLE. WITH  
10 HOPEFULLY MORE AND MORE PEOPLE BEING RELEASED FROM JAILS AND  
11 PRISONS TO L.A. COUNTY, STABLE AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING WILL BE  
12 CRUCIAL TO PREVENTING RECIDIVISM AS WELL AS ENSURING THE  
13 OVERALL HEALTH AND SAFETIES OF OUR COMMUNITIES. ADDITIONALLY,  
14 HOMELESS RESIDENTS ARE PARTICULARLY VULNERABLE TO ARREST AND  
15 RECORDS THAT PROHIBIT ACCESS TO THE SECTION 8 PROGRAM. SO THE  
16 SHORTEST POSSIBLE LOOKBACK PERIODS ARE NEEDED TO REALLY MAKE  
17 SURE THAT AN IMPACT ON HOMELESSNESS IN THE COUNTY-- THERE IS  
18 AN IMPACT ON HOMELESSNESS IN THE COUNTY. WE RECOMMEND THAT THE  
19 CURRENT LOOKBACK PERIOD FOR HOMELESS AND NON HOMELESS BE TWO  
20 YEARS INSTEAD OF THREE YEARS RECOMMENDED IN THE PLAN. THANK  
21 YOU.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ERIC PREVEN AND ARNOLD SACHS.

24

# THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT

OF THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



1   **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, IT'S ERIC PREVEN, COUNTY RESIDENT FROM  
2   DISTRICT THREE AND THIRD DISTRICT CANDIDATE FOR SUPERVISOR. I  
3   AGREE THAT GETTING RID OF THE BAN ON PROBATION AND PAROLE  
4   LOOKBACK IS-- I MEAN, WE HAD THIS. AND I REALIZE THAT THIS IS  
5   TO MEET SOME H.U.D. REQUIREMENTS, BUT I'M CONCERNED. AND I  
6   FEEL LIKE IT'S EXACTLY THE WRONG THING TO BE DOING. SO IF WE  
7   CAN HOLD THE LINE THERE, THAT WOULD BE GREAT, OR SOMEHOW  
8   NEGOTIATE THAT. THE OTHER CONCERN IS THAT THIS GROUP-- FIRST  
9   OF ALL, THIS IS A NICE PRESIDENT IN THAT IT IS A RED LINE COPY  
10   SO YOU COULD SORT OF SEE THAT THE REVISIONS THAT WERE MADE OFF  
11   OF THE LAST DOCUMENT AND THAT IS A HELPFUL TOOL. AND I KNOW  
12   ERIC BAUMAN AND HIS GROUP ARE LEARNING ABOUT THE RED LINE  
13   COPIES OF THEIR CHANGES, WHICH IS HELPFUL. THIS IS A GUY WHO  
14   WORKS ON THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY. THE HOUSING AUTHORITY AND THE  
15   COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION ARE SYNONYMOUS WITH ONE  
16   ANOTHER. AND SHAWN ROGAN HAS BEEN THE LEADER AND I THINK  
17   PEOPLE ARE PLEASED WITH THE WORK HE'S DOING. TODAY WE ALSO  
18   HAVE A \$13 MILLION LIBRARY, ONE OF THE ITEMS WHICH IS GOING TO  
19   BE GOING FORWARD UNDER THEIR STEAM. AND ONE CONCERN IS JUST  
20   THAT WE PAY CLOSE ATTENTION TO THIS GROUP. I MONITORED SOME OF  
21   THE JOB ORDER CONTRACTS THEY WERE DOING. 49 CENTS ON THE  
22   DOLLAR INSIDE THE PRICE BOOK WHICH FOR FOLKS WHO DON'T  
23   UNDERSTAND MEANS THEY'RE BASICALLY AGREEING TO DO THE WORK FOR  
24   50 CENTS ON THE DOLLAR, 49 CENTS. NOW WHEN FOLKS AGREE TO DO  
25   THAT, WE HAVE TO UNDERSTAND HOW AND WHY. IS THAT GOING TO BE

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1 GOOD WORK, QUALITY WORK? AND ACTUALLY IF YOU LOOK INTO THE  
2 MINUTIA OF 1-D, I BELIEVE IT IS TODAY, SOME OF THE WORK IS--  
3 SOME OF THE PUBLIC COMMENTS, ACTUALLY IT'S IN THIS ONE. SOME  
4 OF THE PUBLIC COMMENTS REALLY ARE CRITICAL OF THE WORK. THEY  
5 CLAIM THAT THINGS ARE FIXED. THEY DON'T WORK. THERE'S A  
6 DISASTER HERE AND THERE. I MEAN YOU'RE GOING TO GET COMMENTS  
7 THAT ARE CRITICAL, NATURALLY. BUT I JUST THINK THAT WE NEED TO  
8 BE PAYING VERY CLOSE ATTENTION AND THAT WE NEED TO REALIZE  
9 THAT WHEN PEOPLE SAY THEY CAN DELIVER SPECTACULARLY GOOD  
10 PRICES, IT REALLY REQUIRES OUR SCRUTINY, BECAUSE THEY LINE UP  
11 FOR NOT JUST THE FIRST CONTRACT BUT THEN THERE ARE THERE FOR  
12 THE SECOND AND THIRD AND THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT HAPPENED A FEW  
13 WEEKS AGO WHEN I BROUGHT THIS TO THE ATTENTION OF THE  
14 LEADERSHIP. THE COMMENT WAS, "HEY, I LIKE A GOOD PRICE. I  
15 DON'T CARE." THAT WORRIES ME. IT WORRIES ME A LOT. SO,  
16 APPRECIATE SOME OF THE THINGS IN HERE.

17  
18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT.

19  
20 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING AGAIN. ARNOLD  
21 SACHS. AGAIN, PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN BY THE BOARD. THIS IS A  
22 MARCH 18TH CONSIDER, IMPROVE THE GENERAL PLAN ANNUAL PRODUCTS  
23 REPORT FOR THE HOUSING ELEMENT, PROGRESS REPORT FOR THE 2013  
24 CALENDAR YEAR. THAT WAS MARCH 18, 2014. AND THEN FEBRUARY 4,  
25 2014, ADOPT THE RESOLUTION APPROVING THE HOUSING ELEMENT,

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1 UPDATE TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES GENERAL PLAN COVERING THE  
2 PLANNING YEARS 2014 THROUGH 2021. SO WHAT YOU GOT GOING? WE  
3 HAVE THE ANNUAL PLAN FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2014-'15. AT LEAST  
4 YOU OMITTED THE ACTION ANNUAL PLAN LIKE YOU HAD FOR THE  
5 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANTS. WHEN'S THAT COME ON THE  
6 AGENDA AGAIN? '40, '41-YEAR? SOMEBODY WAS TALKING ABOUT V.A.  
7 HOUSING. HOUSING FOR VETS. AND YOU'RE APPROXIMATELY GOING ON  
8 19, 20, 25 YEARS. WHEN DO YOU EXPECT TO GET SOME PEOPLE HOUSED  
9 AT THE V.A. PROPERTY AROUND WILSHIRE AND WESTWOOD. 10 PEOPLE,  
10 15 PEOPLE, 20 PEOPLE? HOW MANY YEARS HAVE YOU HAD AN ANNUAL  
11 PLAN FOR THE VETS? AND HOW MANY YEARS HAVE GONE BY WITH NO  
12 HOUSING AT THE V.A.? I MEAN, I'M PRETTY SURE SOMEWHERE I'VE  
13 READ WHERE THAT PROPERTY WAS DESIGNATED FOR USE FOR VETERANS.  
14 I BELIEVE THERE'S A CAR RENTAL AGENCY THERE. THERE'S A STORAGE  
15 AGENCY THERE. THERE'S SOMETHING ELSE THERE. THERE'S SOMETHING  
16 ELSE THERE. BUT DO YOU KNOW WHAT'S MISSING? HOUSING FOR VETS.  
17 I KNOW BECAUSE I HEAR IT. YOU'RE OPEN AND TRANSPARENT AND YOU  
18 GOT AN ANNUAL PLAN AND YOU'RE FULL OF ACTION. FULL OF  
19 SOMETHING. BUT WE'LL LEAVE IT AT THAT. ANYWAY, OH BY THE WAY  
20 SETBACK FOR JORDAN DOWNS. H.U.D. THEY LOST OUT ON \$20 MILLION.  
21 WHY WAS THAT, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS? MAYBE YOU CAN ANSWER  
22 THAT QUESTION.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** JUST DO NOT LEAVE YOUR ALLEGATIONS OPEN-  
25 ENDED. WE BROKE GROUND FOR 47 MORE UNITS FOR THE VETS IN LONG



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1 BEACH. YES, IT IS. THANK YOU. OKAY. THE ITEM IS BEFORE US. 1-  
2 H.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN I ASK THE STAFF TO COME FORWARD? MR.  
5 ROGAN, UNDER THE PROPOSED POLICY THAT WE'RE BEING ASKED TO  
6 APPROVE TODAY, OH, LET'S BACK UP. BEFORE WE APPROVE THIS  
7 POLICY, THERE ARE PROHIBITIONS TODAY ON CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS  
8 WITH CRIMINAL, CERTAIN CRIMINAL RECORDS WHO ARE NOT ELIGIBLE  
9 OR PROHIBITED FROM AVAILING THEMSELVES OF OUR SUBSIDIZED  
10 HOUSING PROJECTS, CORRECT?

11

12 **SEAN ROGAN:** THAT'S CORRECT.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND WHAT ARE THE CRIMES FOR WHICH THEY ARE--  
15 FOR WHICH THEY ARE PROHIBITED?

16

17 **SEAN ROGAN:** THE LIST IS QUITE SUBSTANTIAL. IT COULD BE CRIMES  
18 AGAINST PROPERTY, VIOLENT CRIMES, BURGLARY, SEX OFFENDER,  
19 DRUG.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ANYONE WHO'S CONVICTED OF ANY OF THOSE  
22 THINGS IS PROHIBITED CURRENTLY?

23

24 **SEAN ROGAN:** WITHIN THREE-YEAR PERIOD. BUT IF I MAY, I NEED TO  
25 BIFURCATE THE TWO POLICIES. CURRENTLY, WE HAVE TWO POLICIES,

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1 ONE FOR THE MAJORITY OF THE SECTION 8 PROGRAM, WHICH IS ABOUT  
2 23,000 VOUCHER HOLDERS. AND THEN WE HAD A SEPARATE ONE FOR THE  
3 HOMELESS SET ASIDE, WHICH IS ABOUT 850 VOUCHERS. THE HOMELESS  
4 SET-ASIDE PROGRAM, IF YOU RECALL LAST YEAR, WE CHANGED TO  
5 SHORTEN THE LOOKBACK PERIOD TO TWO YEARS. AND THEN WE REMOVED  
6 THE PAROLE AND PROBATION REQUIREMENT. BECAUSE OF THE H.U.D  
7 NOTICE THAT HAS COME OUT, WE HAVE BEEN TOLD THAT WE MUST HAVE  
8 A SINGLE BACKGROUND CHECK PROGRAM FOR THE ENTIRETY OF THE  
9 SECTION 8.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IT'S GOT TO BE UNIFORM.

12

13 **SEAN ROGAN:** THAT'S CORRECT.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IN OUR CASE WE GOT TO PICK ONE OR THE OTHER  
16 BUT IT'S GOT TO BE THE SAME FOR EVERYBODY.

17

18 **SEAN ROGAN:** THAT'S CORRECT.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN-- IF WE WERE TO  
21 TREAT THE HOMELESS-- IF WE WERE TO TREAT ALL CANDIDATES FOR  
22 HOUSING IN OUR PROJECTS GOING FORWARD THE SAME WAY WE TREAT  
23 THE HOMELESS NOW, THE LOOKBACK PERIOD WOULD BE TWO YEARS  
24 RATHER THAN THREE.

25

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1     **SEAN ROGAN:** CORRECT.

2

3     **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND THEN THERE WOULD BE NO PROHIBITION ON  
4     PAROLE OR PROBATION.

5

6     **SEAN ROGAN:** THAT'S CORRECT.

7

8     **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND THAT PROHIBITION ON PAROLE, PROBATION IS  
9     SUBJECT TO THAT LOOKBACK PERIOD, IS THAT CORRECT?

10

11    **SEAN ROGAN:** THAT'S CORRECT.

12

13    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** TWO TO THREE YEARS. SO, THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE  
14    WHO ARE ALLOWED INTO THE PROGRAM OVER THE LAST TWO YEARS AS A  
15    RESULT OF THE CHANGE WE MADE BACK THEN ON THE HOMELESS WAS  
16    ABOUT 850?

17

18    **SEAN ROGAN:** ACTUALLY, AS IT RELATES TO-- IF I'M GETTING TO  
19    YOUR QUESTION-- WE HAVE SEEN NO ADDITIONAL PEOPLE ADMITTED AS  
20    A RESULT OF THE CHANGE TO ALLOWING HOMELESS THAT HAD BEEN ON  
21    PAROLE OR PROBATION INTO THE PROGRAM. SO THERE'S BEEN NO  
22    IMPACT WITH THAT CHANGE.

23

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1   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO THE CHANGE, THE CUTBACK OF THE LOOKBACK  
2   PERIOD FROM THREE TO TWO YEARS, THE ELIMINATION OF THE  
3   PROBATION AND PAROLE DID NOT RESULT IN--

4

5   **SEAN ROGAN:** IN ADDITIONAL PEOPLE BEING HOUSED, THAT'S CORRECT.  
6   WE HAVE HOUSED IN TERMS OF HOMELESS DURING THE SAME PERIOD,  
7   OVER 100 ADDITIONAL FAMILIES. THAT MET THE THREE-YEAR CRITERIA  
8   AND WERE NOT ON PAROLE OR PROBATION.

9

10   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO THE TWO-YEAR WOULD NOT HAVE HELPED?

11

12   **SEAN ROGAN:** IT DID NOT HAVE ANY IMPACT, THAT'S CORRECT.

13

14   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HOW DOES THE PROPOSAL YOU'RE MAKING NOW  
15   THAT'S BEFORE US TODAY COMPARED TO THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF  
16   THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES PROPOSAL OF LOOKBACK PERIODS ON  
17   PROBATION/PAROLE?

18

19   **SEAN ROGAN:** SURE. THE L.A. CITY HAS A THREE-YEAR LOOKBACK  
20   PERIOD. BUT THEN THEY TEAR IT DOWN IN TERMS OF THE LOOKING AT  
21   DRUGS AND CRIMES, WHICH I BELIEVE IS TO TWO YEARS. AND THEY  
22   HAVE NO PROHIBITION ON PAROLE OR PROBATION.

23

24   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT PASSES MUSTER WITH H.U.D.?

25

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1     **SEAN ROGAN:** CORRECT.

2

3     **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BECAUSE EVERYBODY IS TREATED THE SAME WAY?

4

5     **SEAN ROGAN:** I'M NOT QUITE SURE WHERE THEY ARE IN THE PROCESS  
6     IN TERMS OF HAVING A UNIFORMED POLICY. BUT THEY, TOO, ARE  
7     GOING TO NEED TO HAVE A SINGLE UNIFORM POLICY.

8

9     **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BUT IT DOESN'T SOUND LIKE IT'S A UNIFORM  
10    POLICY NOW.

11

12    **SEAN ROGAN:** I'M SORRY, IF I MAY, THEIR CURRENT POLICY FOR THE  
13    H.C.V. PROGRAM IS THREE YEARS FOR EVICTIONS AND THEN THEY GO  
14    TWO YEARS FOR DRUGS AND CRIME. SO THAT'S THEIR POLICY.

15

16    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY, SO THAT APPLIES TO EVERYBODY, WHETHER  
17    THEY'RE HOMELESS OR NOT.

18

19    **SEAN ROGAN:** THAT'S CORRECT.

20

21    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. ONE OR TWO OTHER QUESTIONS. SINCE WE  
22    WILL HAVE, IF THIS IS APPROVED, A DIFFERENT SET OF STANDARDS  
23    THAN THE CITY OF L.A. HOUSING AUTHORITY OR SUBSIDIZED SECTION  
24    8 PROGRAMS, IF SOMEONE WANTED TO MOVE FROM THE CITY TO THE  
25    COUNTY HOUSING PROJECT, BUT THEY GOT CAUGHT IN THIS WEB OF THE

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1 DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE COUNTY STANDARD, WOULDN'T  
2 THAT IMPACT THE ABILITY OF PEOPLE TO BE ABLE TO LIVE IN THE  
3 COMMUNITIES WHERE THEY PREFER TO LIVE?

4

5 **SEAN ROGAN:** THE ANSWER IS IF THEY DO NOT MEET OUR STANDARDS,  
6 THEY COULD NOT PORT INTO OUR COMMUNITY. AND THE SAME IS TRUE  
7 FOR SAN BERNARDINO, FOR EXAMPLE, THAT HAS A FIVE-YEAR LOOKBACK  
8 POLICY OR OTHER COMMUNITIES. BUT TO ANSWER YOUR QUESTION, IT  
9 CAN IMPACT THEM. BUT WHAT YOU'RE REALLY TALKING ABOUT IS A  
10 ONE-YEAR TIME PERIOD. IF THEY HAD NOT GOTTEN OFF PROBATION OR  
11 PAROLE WITHIN THAT ONE-YEAR DIFFERENCE IN LOOKBACK PERIOD,  
12 THEY WOULD BE AFFECTED BY A YEAR, ASSUMING THEY THEN MET THEIR  
13 OBLIGATION AND THEN THEY WERE ABLE TO BE OFF PAROLE AND  
14 PROBATION. BUT THE NUMBERS AREN'T SUBSTANTIAL. I MEAN, IT'S  
15 NOT SOMETHING WE TRACK EVERY DAY. BUT ANYBODY COMING INTO OUR  
16 PROGRAM ANYWHERE IN THE COUNTRY HAS TO MEET OUR STANDARD.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. IS IT POSSIBLE FOR YOU TO TRACK  
19 HOW MANY PEOPLE IF THIS IS APPROVED TODAY BY THE BOARD, YOUR  
20 RECOMMENDATION, HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE AFFECTED BY THIS CHANGE OR  
21 WILL BE AFFECTED BY THIS CHANGE AND USE THE FINDINGS THAT YOU  
22 MAKE TO INFORM RECOMMENDATIONS THE BOARD MIGHT MAKE IN NEXT  
23 YEAR'S?

24

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1   **SEAN ROGAN:** WE WOULD HAVE TO ASK OUR HOMELESS PROVIDERS TO  
2   TRACK THAT INFORMATION BECAUSE THEY'RE THE ONES MAKING THE  
3   REFERRALS. AND WHAT THEY HAVE SHARED WITH US IN THE PAST,  
4   PRIOR TO THE CHANGE WE MADE, WAS THAT THEY WOULDN'T SEND US  
5   ANYBODY ON PAROLE AND PROBATION. SO I HAVE NO MEANS TO TRACK  
6   THE REFERRAL THEY'RE SENDING ME. SO THAT WOULD BE SOMETHING WE  
7   WILL CERTAINLY REACH OUT TO THE HOMELESS PROVIDERS.

8

9   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HOW DO YOU KNOW THAT THERE WAS NO IMPACT ON  
10   THE NUMBERS BETWEEN TWO AND THREE-YEAR LOOKBACK PERIOD?

11

12   **SPEAKER:** IF I MAY, SUPERVISOR. WE LOOK AT THE ELIGIBILITY AS  
13   THEY COME IN THE DOOR. WE KNOW FOR THE GENERAL H.C.V.  
14   POPULATION, FOR EXAMPLE, WHEN WE LOOK AT HOW MANY FOLKS WERE  
15   DISQUALIFIED FOR JUST THAT PARTICULAR PROHIBITION, ON  
16   PROBATION AND PAROLE, IT'S ABOUT 2 TO 3 PERCENT FOR THE  
17   GENERAL H.C.V. POPULATION, SO IT'S A VERY, VERY SMALL NUMBER.  
18   IN REFERENCE TO THE HOMELESS INDIVIDUALS, WE DID LOOK BACK TO  
19   SEE IF ANY OF THEM, WHEN THEY WERE COMING IN THE DOOR, WERE  
20   CURRENTLY ON PROBATION AND PAROLE. AND WE DID NOT GET ANY OF  
21   THOSE REFERRALS DURING THE TIME PERIOD THAT WE MADE THIS  
22   CHANGE.

23

24   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. WELL I'D LIKE YOU TO DO WHATEVER YOU  
25   NEED TO DO TO GET A TRACKING-- TO TRACK THE PEOPLE WHO ARE



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1 COMING INTO OUR SYSTEM AND SEE WHAT IMPACT THIS CHANGE THAT WE  
2 ARE ABOUT TO CONSIDER WOULD HAVE IF IT'S APPROVED ON OUR  
3 CLIENT POPULATION, OKAY? AND GET GOING ON IT AS SOON AS  
4 POSSIBLE TO GET THE LION'S SHARE OF THE NEXT YEAR, STATISTICS  
5 FOR THE NEXT YEAR. THEN WHEN THE BOARD NEXT YEAR IS BACK WHERE  
6 WE ARE TODAY, YOU WILL AT LEAST HAVE SOME MORE CURRENT  
7 INFORMATION. I'M SURPRISED THAT IT HAD NO IMPACT, THE GOING  
8 FROM THREE TO TWO-YEAR LOOKBACK HAD NO IMPACT ON THE NUMBER OF  
9 HOMELESS THAT WE HOUSED.

10

11 **SPEAKER:** AND IF I MAY CLARIFY ONE ITEM ON THE PROBATION AND  
12 PAROLE, IT'S THAT THEY CURRENTLY HAVE TO BE ON PROBATION AND  
13 PAROLE. SO IF YOU WERE ON PROBATION AND PAROLE DURING THAT  
14 LOOKBACK PERIOD BUT WEREN'T CURRENTLY ON IT WHEN YOU RECEIVED  
15 THE VOUCHER, YOU WOULD QUALIFY.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH. SO WHEN THE PAROLE/PROBATION IS OVER  
18 FOR THAT INDIVIDUAL, THEY SKATE, BASICALLY? THAT'S NOT THE  
19 APPROPRIATE WAY TO PUT IT, BUT THEY ARE NO LONGER CAUGHT IN  
20 THE PROHIBITION. OKAY. THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

23

24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU. ON BEHALF OF SUPERVISOR  
25 YAROSLAVSKY AND MYSELF, I WOULD READ IN THE FOLLOWING FOR THE

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1 BOARD'S CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION. "CHRONICALLY HOMELESS  
2 PEOPLE ARE AMONG THE MOST VULNERABLE MEMBERS OF OUR SOCIETY.  
3 THEY TEND TO HAVE HIGH RATES OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROBLEMS,  
4 INCLUDING SEVERE MENTAL ILLNESSES AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE  
5 DISORDERS AND ARE FREQUENT USERS OF EMERGENCY SERVICES AND  
6 PUBLIC SAFETY SYSTEMS. WHILE AFFORDABLE ACCESS TO PERMANENT  
7 HOUSING IS CONSIDERED THE MOST CRITICAL RESOURCE NEEDED TO  
8 ADOPT OR TO ADDRESS CHRONIC HOMELESSNESS, IN MANY CASES THE  
9 CHRONICALLY HOMELESS HAVE DIFFICULTY MEETING SOME OF THE  
10 STANDARDS TO QUALIFY FOR ASSISTANCE ADMINISTERED THROUGH THE  
11 HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. THE  
12 CHRONICALLY HOMELESS FACE UNIQUE BARRIERS TO QUALIFYING FOR  
13 SERVICES, AND THE CRITERIA TO BE USED IN HOUSING THIS  
14 POPULATION SHOULD BE ABLE TO INCORPORATE THESE REALITIES. THE  
15 UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT HAVE  
16 ADVISED THAT IN ORDER TO RELY ON SPECIFIC ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA  
17 FOR THE CHRONICALLY HOMELESS, H.A.C.O.L.A. NEEDS EXPRESS LEGAL  
18 AUTHORITY. SO WE THEREFORE MOVE, ACTING AS THE BOARD OF  
19 COMMISSIONERS OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY OF LOS  
20 ANGELES, THAT WE DIRECT THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO TAKE ALL  
21 NECESSARY ACTION TO ADVOCATE FOR FEDERAL STATUTORY AND  
22 REGULATORY MEASURES THAT WOULD PROVIDE THE LEGAL AUTHORITY FOR  
23 DEVELOPING A HOUSING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM THAT CAN MEET THE  
24 SPECIFIC NEEDS OF THE CHRONICALLY HOMELESS POPULATION." WE

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1 MOVE THAT FOR THE BOARD'S CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION, MR.  
2 CHAIRMAN.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THE ITEM IS BEFORE US. IT'S  
5 NOT REALLY AN AMENDMENT. JUST A PART OF THE APPROVAL.

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** RIGHT.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO WITH THAT APPROVAL AND WITH THE  
10 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY,  
11 MOVED BY RIDLEY-THOMAS, SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY, HEARING NO  
12 OBJECTIONS, SO ORDERED. OKAY. THERE'S NO CHANGE. IT'S NOT  
13 CHANGING THE RECOMMENDATION. THERE IS NO CHANGE TO THE  
14 RECOMMENDATION.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** (OFF MIC) .

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WE CAN BIFURCATE IT, THEN. ON ITEM  
19 1-H, MOVED BY RIDLEY-THOMAS, SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT  
20 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ON THE MOTION, MOVED BY RIDLEY-THOMAS,  
21 SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY, WITH ONE OBJECTION, SUPERVISOR  
22 ANTONOVICH. SO BE THE ORDER.

23

24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.

25

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

2

3    **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** SO THAT COMPLETES THE PUBLIC  
4    HEARINGS FOR TODAY. DO YOU WANT TO MOVE INTO THE REGULAR  
5    AGENDA?

6

7    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'LL MOVE INTO THE REGULAR AGENDA.  
8    THOSE THAT SIGNED UP FOR MULTIPLE ITEMS, I WILL CALL YOU  
9    FIRST. MR. PREVEN, 9 AND 10. MR. SACHS, 1-B, 10, 13 AND 17.  
10   AND PAUL AUDLEY, PAUL ON ITEM 10, AS WELL.

11

12   **ERIC PREVEN:** RIGHT. IT'S ERIC PREVEN THE COUNTY RESIDENT FOR  
13   DISTRICT 3 AND A CANDIDATE FOR THE THIRD SUPERVISOR SEAT. I  
14   DON'T KNOW IF YOU GOT ALL THE ITEMS, IT'S OKAY. BUT ITEM NO.  
15   15 TODAY.

16

17   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S GOING TO BE CALLED LATER.

18

19   **ERIC PREVEN:** THAT'S GOING TO BE CALLED LATER? OKAY, FINE. ITEM  
20   NO. 14, I'LL JUST SAY, MR. NAIMO, WE KNOW FOR A LONG TIME,  
21   HE'S AN AUDITOR-CONTROLLER WHO'S GOING TO BE TAKING OVER FOR  
22   WENDY WATANABE. OBVIOUSLY I SAW THAT COMING. THIS IS A GUY WHO  
23   KNOWS WHERE THE, AS WE LIKE TO SAY IN COUNTY GOVERNMENT, THE  
24   BODIES ARE BURIED. SO I UNDERSTAND WHY YOU WOULD CHOOSE HIM  
25   THERE. I JUST THINK IT REQUIRES SOME CAREFUL SCRUTINY. THE

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1 WHOLE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER PROGRAM IS A GREAT SUCCESS, BUT YET  
2 THE PUBLIC FEELS THAT SOME OF THE WORK THAT THEY DO NEEDS TO  
3 BE SHARED IN A MORE DIGESTIBLE MANNER AND THAT WE NEED TO DO  
4 SOME, CALL IT AGGRESSIVE FOLLOW UP ON SOME OF THE FINDINGS. I  
5 MEAN, ONE THAT I SAW RECENTLY ON THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC  
6 SOCIAL SERVICES, D.P.S.S., AS IT WERE, THEY PUBLISHED A  
7 REPORT, 2006, JUST EGREGIOUS PROBLEMS. AND THAT WAS PUBLISHED  
8 NOW IN 2014 AND MAKES YOU FEEL LIKE WELL WHERE ARE WE TODAY  
9 THAT WE MADE THE CHANGES IN THAT? EACH AND EVERY TIME WE FIND  
10 THERE'S NOT ENOUGH FOLLOW UP AND ACCOUNTABILITY FOR SUPERVISOR  
11 MOLINA'S TASTE. ITEM NO., I GUESS I SHOULD TALK ABOUT ITEM NO.  
12 10 BECAUSE IT'S SO IMPORTANT TO ME. I REFERENCED IT EARLIER.  
13 THIS IS, OF COURSE, THE RUN-AWAY PRODUCTION ITEM. AND MAYOR  
14 ANTONOVICH IS WRITING A FIVE-SIGNATURE LETTER TO THE STATE AND  
15 TO EVERYBODY WHO WILL LISTEN TO COME UP WITH SOME HELP. AND  
16 I'M HERE TO SAY THAT WE, TOO, THE COUNTY ARE GOING TO DO THE  
17 SAME, I HOPE. I HOPE THAT WE CAN FIND SAVINGS AND CREATE AN  
18 INITIATIVE, CALL IT THE ROAD MAP HOME, MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS, OR  
19 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. THIS WOULD BE A GREAT PROJECT TO FIND  
20 COUNTY SAVINGS AND APPLY THAT TO ENTICE OUR GREAT STUDIOS AND  
21 PRODUCTION COMPANIES TO STAY RIGHT HERE IN TOWN. AND I  
22 MENTIONED THE CIVIC-- THE GOOD CITIZENSHIP PIECE, AS WELL. I  
23 HOPE THAT TOGETHER WE CAN FIND SOME WAY TO ACTUALLY STEM THE  
24 TIDE OF THESE SHOWS LEAVING TOWN. \$1.5 BILLION WAS INTRODUCED.  
25

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

2

3    **ERIC PREVEN:** YOU'RE WELCOME. THANK YOU.

4

5    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MR. SACHS?

6

7    **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING AGAIN. ARNOLD SACHS. I  
8    HELD A FEW ITEMS. I HELD ITEM 1-D, NOT IN ANYTHING PARTICULAR  
9    BUT AFTER READING IT, IT MENTIONS ABOUT THIS LIBRARY THAT ONE  
10    DAY IS GOING TO BE DESIGNED, DEVELOPED AND CONSTRUCT THE  
11    LIBRARY \$13 MILLION, BLAH, BLAH, BLAH. BUT ITEM 13, THE  
12    LANGUAGE SAYS PLANNING AND DESIGN. NOTHING ABOUT DEVELOPMENT  
13    AND CONSTRUCTION, FOR THE SAME \$13 MILLION. SO WHERE ARE YOU  
14    AT? YOU GOT PLANNING, DESIGN, DEVELOPMENT AND CONSTRUCTION.  
15    WELL, THE LIBRARY'S BEEN PLANNED. AND WHICH ONE OF THESE  
16    ORDINANCES DO YOU FOLLOW? DO YOU FOLLOW 1-D, OR DO YOU FOLLOW  
17    THE LANGUAGE FROM ITEM 13? WELL, THEY'RE NOT QUITE THE SAME.  
18    SO WHY DON'T YOU CLARIFY THAT FOR THE PUBLIC. I KNOW. THIS  
19    ONE, YOU'RE OUT OF TIME. BUT I'M NOT OUT OF TIME YET. I HELD  
20    ITEM 17. IT WAS SALARIES RELATED TO L.A.C.E.R.A. AND, AGAIN, I  
21    MENTIONED LAST WEEK, A-3. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH WANTS TO  
22    CALCULATE THE VALUE OF THE UNDERFUNDED PENSION FUND. HE HAS  
23    DIRECTED THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER TO LOOK INTO IT. 11/16/10.  
24    GUESS WHAT? THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER JUST RETIRED. FOUR YEARS  
25    AND YOU HAVEN'T GOTTEN AN ANSWER TO THE UNDERFUNDED VALUE OF

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1 THE PENSION FUND. BUT WE'RE MOVING RIGHT ALONG. WE ARE MOVING  
2 IT. AND THEN I HELD ITEM 10 ALSO. THE NEGATIVE IMPACT OF HIGH  
3 TAXES AND EXCESSIVE REGULATIONS ON THE ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY.  
4 WELL, ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY, IS THAT THE LETTER E OR THE  
5 LETTER I, BECAUSE I COULD THINK OF A LOT OF INDUSTRIES THAT  
6 EXCESSIVE REGULATIONS AND HIGH TAXES HAVE EFFECT ON IN THE  
7 COUNTY. AND YOU'RE GOING TO SEND A FIVE-SIGNATURE LETTER OUT?  
8 I THINK THAT HORSE HAS LEFT THE BARN ABOUT FIVE YEARS AGO. AND  
9 YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE, WHAT? THE STUDIOS TEAR DOWN THEIR NEW  
10 STUDIOS THEY BUILT IN OTHER STATES. THANK YOU FOR THE ANSWERS.  
11 I KNOW, OUT OF TIME.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ABSOLUTELY. OUT OF TIME. WELCOME.

14

15 **PAUL AUDLEY:** GOOD MORNING. I'M PAUL AUDLEY, PRESIDENT OF FILM  
16 L.A., YOUR COUNTY FILM OFFICE. WE APPRECIATE THE EFFORTS BEING  
17 PUT FORWARD BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND COUNTY  
18 STAFF TO HELP SUPPORT THE FILM INDUSTRY, WHICH IS AT A POINT  
19 NOW WHERE WE'VE BEEN TALKING FOR YEARS ABOUT RUN-AWAY AND RAN-  
20 AWAY PRODUCTION. WE'RE NOW AT A POINT WHERE WE'RE LOSING THE  
21 INFRASTRUCTURE THAT SUPPORTS THE INDUSTRY AT A RAPIDLY  
22 INCREASING RATE, INCLUDING KEY LUMBER YARDS, PROP HOUSES AND  
23 VENDORS WHO ARE NOW MOVING THEIR EQUIPMENT AND THEIR  
24 BUSINESSES TO THE STATES THAT HAVE BEEN COMPETING WITH  
25 CALIFORNIA FOR SO LONG. WE ARE NOW AT A POINT WHERE WHEN WE



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1 USED TO DO 65 PLUS PERCENT OF THE MAJOR FEATURES DONE IN THE  
2 WORLD, THIS PAST YEAR WE ONLY DID 8 PERCENT OF THOSE FEATURES.  
3 WE'RE DOWN IN DRAMAS WHERE TWO YEARS AGO 21 OUT OF 23 NEW  
4 TELEVISION DRAMAS LEFT CALIFORNIA. ALL OF THIS BECAUSE OF THE  
5 EXPENSE OF DOING BUSINESS HERE AND THE MONEY BEING OFFERED BY  
6 OTHER STATES TO BRING IT AWAY. THIS MORNING, IN THE ASSEMBLY,  
7 THE FIRST HEARING ON A.B.1839 WHICH WOULD EXPAND WHO CAN APPLY  
8 FOR THE TAX CREDIT AND THE AMOUNT OF MONEY WAS HEARD BY THE  
9 ARTS ENTERTAINMENT SPORTS TOURISM INTERNET MEDIA COMMITTEE.  
10 A.B.1839 HAS 80 SPONSORS IN THE LEGISLATURE AND IT PASSED  
11 UNANIMOUSLY THIS MORNING OUT OF THAT COMMITTEE GOING FORWARD.  
12 WE HAVE HIGH HOPES FOR THIS IN ADDITION TO OTHER EFFORTS THAT  
13 ARE BEING MADE TO KEEP THE INDUSTRY. AND IF WE NEED ANY  
14 EVIDENCE ABOUT THE DESIRE OF THE REST OF THE WORLD FOR THIS  
15 INDUSTRY, I WOULD INVITE YOU TO JOIN US THURSDAY, FRIDAY OR  
16 SATURDAY AT THE HYATT REGENCY IN CENTURY CITY WHERE THE  
17 ASSOCIATION OF FILM COMMISSIONERS INTERNATIONAL IS HOLDING  
18 WHAT WE CALL THE POACHERS CONFERENCE. THERE WILL BE 38  
19 COUNTRIES AND 58 U.S. JURISDICTIONS PRESENT TO TRY TO BRING  
20 THE FILM INDUSTRY AWAY FROM CALIFORNIA USING TAX CREDITS AND  
21 OTHER INCENTIVES TO DO THAT. WE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT YOU AND  
22 THE EFFORTS YOU'RE MAKING TO KEEP THIS VITAL INDUSTRY HERE AND  
23 THE EMPLOYMENT THAT GOES WITH IT. THANK YOU.  
24

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, PAUL. AND WE APPRECIATE THE  
2    PARTNERSHIP TO WORK WITH YOU. MIKE, DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING ELSE?  
3    IF NOT, THE ITEM IS BEFORE.

4

5    **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** WE HAVE SEVERAL ITEMS BEFORE YOU.  
6    OKAY. SO ITEMS NO. 1-D, 9. I'M SORRY?

7

8    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA, ITEM NO. 10?

9

10   **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR, I WAS GOING TO HOLD  
11   THAT ONE OUT AND TAKE IT OUT AS A SEPARATE VOTE. SO WE HAVE  
12   THE FOLLOWING ITEMS BEFORE YOU. ITEM NO. 1-D, 9, 13 AND 17.  
13   THOSE ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU?

14

15   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THOSE MOVED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.  
16   THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO BE THE ORDER.

17

18   **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** AND THEN ON ITEM NO. 10,  
19   SUPERVISOR MOLINA WILL ABSTAIN FROM THE VOTE. BUT THE ITEM IS  
20   BEFORE YOU.

21

22   **SUP. MOLINA:** SEPARATELY. I DON'T WANT TO ABSTAIN FROM THIS. I  
23   DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH SUPPORTING THIS AND SUPPORTING A  
24   FIVE-SIGNATURE LETTER. WHAT I DON'T LIKE IS I DON'T LIKE THE  
25   TONE OF THE PREFACE. I DON'T THINK IT IS AN EFFECTIVE WAY.

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1 THIS HAS BEEN AN ONGOING PROBLEM FOR DECADES. AND SO THIS  
2 ISN'T THE ONLY GOVERNOR. I THINK THE GOVERNOR'S TAKEN SOME  
3 INITIATIVE. ON THIS. SO I SUPPORT THE FIVE-SIGNATURE LETTER  
4 BUT I WANT TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO READ IT BEFORE IT GETS  
5 SENT BECAUSE IF IT'S GOING TO HAVE ANYTHING THAT THE PREFACE  
6 HAS, I'M NOT INTERESTED. I'M INTERESTED IN SUPPORTING FILMING  
7 HERE, FINDING INCENTIVES, TRYING TO CREATE A MECHANISM FOR IT.  
8 AND WE IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. BUT I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT AT  
9 THIS TIME'S DONE IN A COOPERATIVE FASHION. I THINK EVERYBODY  
10 IS TRYING TO FIND A MECHANISM AND A WAY TO DO IT.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHY DON'T YOU JUST TAKE THE PREFACE OUT AND  
13 LET'S JUST APPROVE THE--

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA:** I DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THE FIVE-SIGNATURE  
16 LETTER. BUT I WOULD RATHER READ IT, IF YOU DON'T MIND, BECAUSE  
17 DID YOU READ THE PREFACE?

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH. AND I AGREE WITH YOU.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE IMPORTANT PART IS--

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** TAKE OUT--

24

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1   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE CAN DO THAT. THE IMPORTANT PART IS THAT  
2   WE'VE LOST \$3 BILLION IN PRODUCTION TO OTHER STATES IN THE  
3   PAST TEN YEARS. IN 1996, OUR FILMING DROPPED-- FEATURE FILMING  
4   50 PERCENT. SO THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO ARE LOSING. AND IT'S A  
5   BIPARTISAN EFFORT TO RESTORE THIS INDUSTRY, ALONG WITH OTHERS,  
6   TO THIS STATE BECAUSE WE'VE LOST SO MUCH. AND WHEN YOU  
7   CONSIDER NEW YORK GRABS THE "TONIGHT SHOW." CONSIDER  
8   LOUISIANA--

9

10   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MIKE, THE WHOLE POINT HERE IS WE'RE JUST  
11   TRYING TO GET TO A UNANIMOUS CONSENSUS. AND I THINK SUPERVISOR  
12   MOLINA'S PROPOSAL IS SOUND. LET'S JUST INDICATE IN A NON-  
13   POLITICIZED WAY IN A FIVE-SIGNATURE LETTER WHAT THE MOTION  
14   ASKS FOR. SO I WOULD MOVE, IF YOU DON'T DO IT, I WILL MOVE  
15   THAT WE AMEND THE MOTION TO REMOVE ALL THE PREFACE AND JUST  
16   APPROVE THE MOVING PART OF THE MOTION, WHICH IS THE ONLY PART  
17   THAT REALLY MATTERS.

18

19   **SUP. MOLINA:** AND THAT'S THE PART I CARE ABOUT. JUST WHEN  
20   THEY'RE WRITTEN, I NEVER KNOW WHAT IS GOING TO BE INCLUDED.

21

22   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE HAVE TO SIGN IT.

23

24   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WE HAVE TO SIGN THE LETTER, WE ARE ALL GOING  
25   TO SEE THE LETTER. SO IT SHOULDN'T HAVE THIS KIND OF-- WE ALL

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1 HAVE OUR POINT OF VIEW, BUT I THINK IF WE WANT ALL FIVE TO  
2 SIGN IT, WE SHOULD KIND OF KEEP IT ON THOSE THINGS THAT WE ALL  
3 AGREE ON. SO I MAKE THAT MOTION.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA:** I CHANGED MY POSITION, I'D LIKE TO SUPPORT IT.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DO YOU WANT TO SECOND IT?

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA:** YES, THAT'S FINE.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO WE MAKE THE MOTION AND THE LANGUAGE WILL  
12 BE APPROVED BY THE MEMBERS ON THE LETTER. SO MOVED.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY ANTONOVICH. THE CHAIR WILL  
15 SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

16

17 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU. AND, SO, MR. CHAIRMAN,  
18 THAT WAS IT FOR THE ITEMS THAT WERE BEING HELD BY THE MEMBERS  
19 OF THE PUBLIC.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE REMAINDER IS-- I HELD ITEM 15. I  
22 HAVE A MOTION ON ITEM 15. IN REGARDS TO THIS PARTICULAR  
23 CONTRACT, WE'RE UP AGAINST THE WALL AS IT RELATES TO AN  
24 EXPIRATION. SO I WOULD, ONE, JUST MOVE THAT WE DELEGATE THE  
25 AUTHORITY TO THE SHERIFF TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT TO THE

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1 CURRENT AGREEMENT FOR 60 DAYS TO ENABLE THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER  
2 TO COMPLETE HIS FINDING REGARDING POSSIBLE IRREGULARITIES  
3 UNDER EXISTING AGREEMENT BETWEEN L.A. WORKS AND THE COUNTY ON  
4 BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND SENIOR SERVICES;  
5 ALSO DIRECT THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER TO CONDUCT A SIMILAR REVIEW  
6 OF THE CURRENT AGREEMENT WITH L.A. WORKS FOR VOCATIONAL  
7 PROGRAM SERVICES WHICH IS CURRENTLY SET TO EXPIRE TOMORROW.  
8 FINALLY DIRECT THE AUDITOR CONTROL TO REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD  
9 WITH ITS FINDING ON THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT L.A. WORKS  
10 PROGRAM WITHIN 60 DAYS, AND BASED ON SUCH FINDINGS, DIRECT THE  
11 C.E.O. TO MAKE A RECOMMENDATION TO THIS BOARD TO EITHER, ONE,  
12 ENTER INTO A NEW AGREEMENT AS RECOMMENDED OR AUTHORIZE THE  
13 SHERIFF TO FURTHER EXTEND THE CURRENT AGREEMENT TO ENABLE THE  
14 DEPARTMENT SUFFICIENT TIME TO NEGOTIATE A SUCCESSOR AGREEMENT  
15 WITH THE NEXT QUALIFIED BIDDER." YES.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** I CERTAINLY AM TRYING TO FIND A WAY AROUND THIS,  
18 BUT AT THE SAME TIME, I UNDERSTAND WHAT HAS HAPPENED HERE. I  
19 HAVE TRIED FOREVER, I THINK TWO DECADES NOW, TRYING TO FIGURE  
20 OUT WHY WE GET THESE CONTRACTS ON THE LAST MINUTE OF THE LAST  
21 DAY. WHEN WE ASK QUESTIONS AND PROBLEMS COME UP, IT'S LIKE,  
22 "OH, IT'S TOO LATE. IT ENDS IN TWO WEEKS OR IT ENDS NEXT  
23 WEEK." SO I'M GOING TO TRY THIS. I'M GOING TO ASK FOR SACHI,  
24 THE AUDITOR AND THE C.A.O. [SIC] TO FIND A WAY THAT THEY CAN  
25 CREATE ONE CONTRACT LIST AND KNOW WHEN THINGS ARE UP SO THAT

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1 THE APPROPRIATE FOLKS, INCLUDING THE C.A.O.'S [SIC] OFFICE,  
2 WILL GET NOTICE SIX MONTHS BEFORE CONTRACT IS UP AND TO SEE  
3 WHAT THE STATUS IS OF RENEGOTIATION, NEW R.F.P., WHATEVER IT  
4 IS, BECAUSE LIKE THIS ONE, I MEAN, WE CAN'T DO ANYTHING. IT'S  
5 DONE THE LAST MINUTE ON THE LAST DAY. SO YOU ALL HAVE TO COME  
6 UP WITH A PLAN FOR US BECAUSE I'M TIRED OF THIS HAPPENING. SO  
7 IT'S A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I GLADLY ACCEPT THAT. SO WITH THAT, WITH  
10 THE FRIENDLY AMENDMENT, I'LL MOVE IT. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR  
11 MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. OH EXCUSE ME. VOTE  
12 RECONSIDERATION. MR. PREVEN, YOU SIGNED UP FOR ITEM 15?

13

14 **ERIC PREVEN:** ALL RIGHT. IT'S ERIC PREVEN COUNTY RESIDENT FROM  
15 DISTRICT 3 AND YOUR CANDIDATE FOR THIRD DISTRICT SUPERVISOR.  
16 ITEM 15 IS VERY INTERESTING SHERIFF'S ITEM. IT'S A CAREER  
17 TECHNICAL EDUCATION. THEY DID AN I.F.B. INFORMATION LIKE AN  
18 R.F.P. BUT TO PEOPLE WHO ARE INTERESTED. AND THEY CAME BACK  
19 WITH JUST A SMALL HANDFUL OF PEOPLE TO PROVIDE A KIND OF WORK  
20 TRAINING AND CLASSES IN THE JAIL, WHICH OBVIOUSLY IS A  
21 CHALLENGING ENVIRONMENT TO WORK IN, BUT NONETHELESS IT'S  
22 CRITICALLY IMPORTANT. WE'VE HEARD FOR YEARS ABOUT SHERIFF  
23 BACA'S EDUCATION-BASED INCARCERATION PROGRAM. HERE'S THE  
24 THING. L.A. WORKS, I DON'T KNOW TOO MUCH ABOUT. I TRIED TO  
25 GOOGLE AND THEY'RE AN IRWINDALE-BASED OUTFIT BUT THEY'RE



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1 CHARGING ABOUT 90, 85, MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS, THEY'RE CHARGING  
2 \$85, \$90 AN HOUR TO TEACH BICYCLE REPAIR. AN HOUR. SO THIS IS  
3 ABOUT, YOU KNOW, WE'RE GETTING CLOSE TO \$1,000 A DAY FOR AN  
4 INDIVIDUAL TO TEACH BICYCLE REPAIR. NOW, I REALIZE WHAT'S  
5 BUILT IN THERE IS THE COMPANY'S TAKE AND THAT'S AN ALL-IN  
6 NUMBER. BUT IT'S STILL EXTREMELY HIGH. AND IT'S WORRISOME THAT  
7 THERE WAS SUCH LITTLE COMPETITION. I WONDER AND I THINK IT WAS  
8 SUPERVISOR KNABE'S INITIATIVE TO TRY TO WORK IN THE HOME BOY  
9 INDUSTRIES GROUP SOMEHOW BECAUSE THEY ARE STRUGGLING MIGHTILY  
10 IN THE FACE OF GIANT GIFTS FROM SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY TO  
11 L.A.C.M.A. AND OTHER GROUPS. WE CAN'T SEEM TO FUND SOME OF  
12 THESE PROGRAMS THAT WE KNOW WORK WELL. BUT WE HAVE SOME VERY  
13 FLUID CONVERSATIONS GOING ON AMONGST THE SUPERVISORS BUT  
14 NOBODY SEEMS TO BE LISTENING HERE. I MEAN I'M OKAY WITH IT  
15 BECAUSE I KNOW IT'S ON THE RECORD BUT YOU'RE LISTENING, CHAIR,  
16 SO I APPRECIATE THAT. BUT, ANYWAY, WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW  
17 IS, IS THIS PROGRAM REALLY WORKING FOR US; L.A. WORKS? I'M  
18 CONCERNED. IT'S \$32 MILLION OVER FIVE YEARS. SO THAT'S A  
19 ROBUST AMOUNT OF BICYCLE REPAIR, EVEN AT \$85 AN HOUR. SO I  
20 DON'T KNOW. I WENT TO THE JAIL A COUPLE WEEKS AGO AND SAW FOR  
21 MYSELF WHAT THE ENVIRONMENT IS LIKE BOTH AT MEN'S CENTRAL AND  
22 AT TWIN TOWERS. AND I DON'T FEEL THE SAME WAY THAT OTHER  
23 SUPERVISORS FEEL, WHICH IS THAT I'LL NEVER GO BACK AND THIS IS  
24 AN INTOLERABLE-- I FEEL THAT THERE'S WORK TO BE DONE. BUT YOU  
25 SHOULD BE ROLLING UP OUR SLEEVES. I SAW SOME OF THE CLASSES,

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1 TOO. SO I THINK IT'S THE RIGHT AREA BUT I JUST HOPE THAT--

2 [INAUDIBLE.]

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** PURPOSE OF THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER  
5 LOOKING AT IT. OKAY. THAT ITEM IS BEFORE US. MOVED AS AMENDED  
6 BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. I'LL MOVE IT. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR  
7 MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ITEM 14? MIKE, YOU HELD  
8 ITEM 14?

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, AS CO-AUTHORED BY SUPERVISOR  
11 MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS, THE DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF AUDITOR  
12 CONTROLLER ARE CRITICAL TO OUR COUNTY. JOHN NAIMO, WHO IS  
13 EXCEPTIONALLY QUALIFIED TO CARRY OUT THE DUTIES OF OUR  
14 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER, HIS APPOINTMENT TODAY WILL BE AS ACTING  
15 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER. SINCE THE AUDITOR REPORTS DIRECTLY TO THE  
16 BOARD, IT'S INCUMBENT THAT THE BOARD MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO  
17 IDENTIFY A PERMANENT AUDITOR. SO WE WOULD MOVE THAT WE DIRECT  
18 HUMAN RESOURCES TO CONDUCT A REGIONAL SEARCH, WE'RE TALKING  
19 ABOUT A REGIONAL SEARCH, FOR QUALIFIED CANDIDATES FOR THE  
20 POSITION AND PROVIDE A LIST OF THOSE CANDIDATES FOR THE BOARD  
21 FOR REVIEW NOT LATER THAN 120 DAYS.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ITEM 14. SHE WANTS A ROLL CALL.

24

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1    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN I MAKE AN ALTERNATIVE SUGGESTION?

2    BECAUSE I'M NOT PREPARED TO SUPPORT THIS AT THIS TIME.

3

4    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ME, NEITHER.

5

6    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I THINK WE'VE HAD KIND OF A DISCUSSION WHEN

7    WENDY ADVISED US THAT SHE WANTED TO RETIRE ABOUT HOW WE WERE

8    GOING TO PROCEED. AND I THINK TO BE CONSISTENT WITH THAT, I

9    THINK I'D LIKE TO PROPOSE THAT THIS BE-- WELL, NEVER MIND.

10

11   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, IS THERE A PUBLIC SPEAKER ON THIS?

12

13   **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** HE ALREADY SPOKE.

14

15   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALREADY SPOKE. THAT'S RIGHT. THE ITEM IS

16   BEFORE US. ROLL CALL, PLEASE. FRIENDLY. IS SUPERVISOR

17   ANTONOVICH'S MOTION.

18

19   **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

20

21   **SUP. MOLINA:** NO.

22

23   **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

24

25   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AYE.

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1

2 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO.

5

6 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AYE.

9

10 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR KNABE.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NO.

13

14 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** MOTION FAILS TO CARRY SO THE MAIN  
15 MOTION IS BEFORE YOU.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MAIN MOTION ON THE APPOINTMENT?

18

19 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** DO YOU WANT ME AT THAT A ROLL  
20 CALL.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** NO, I THINK WE'RE OKAY.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IS THERE ANY OBJECTION TO NAIMO?

25

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1    **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THAT'S WHAT'S ON THE TABLE.

2

3    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** CHAIR WILL MOVE IT. SECONDED BY

4    SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. IS THERE ANY OBJECTION TO THE

5    APPOINTMENT OF MR. NAIMO. IF NOT, SO ORDERED.

6

7    **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU.

8

9    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I THINK MR. NAIMO WANTED TO SPEAK AGAINST

10    THE ITEM. HE'S STANDING THERE QUIETLY IN THE BACK. [APPLAUSE.]

11

12    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WE'LL JUMP TO ITEM NO. 19.

13    A.B.109, THE NINE-MONTH PROGRESS REPORT. LET'S SEE. MR.

14    POWERS, GO AHEAD, SIR.

15

16    **JERRY POWERS:** GOOD MORNING. JERRY POWERS, YOUR CHIEF PROBATION

17    OFFICER, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. THIS WILL BE A VERY QUICK

18    REPORT. IN JUNE OF LAST YEAR WE REQUESTED AN EXTENSION FROM

19    YOUR BOARD TO THE EXISTING CONTRACT SO THAT WE COULD GO OUT

20    AND DO AN R.F.P. FOR COMPREHENSIVE SERVICES FOR THE A.B.109

21    CLIENTS. AS SEEN IN YOUR REPORT, WE ARE AT THE FINISH LINE TO

22    EXECUTING THAT R.F.P. PROCESS. AND A CONTRACT. WE ANTICIPATE

23    COMING BACK TO YOUR BOARD IN APPROXIMATELY TWO WEEKS FOR

24    APPROVAL OF THE CONTRACT, WHICH WILL PUT US ABOUT TWO MONTHS

25    PRIOR TO THE JUNE 30TH EXPIRATION OF THE EXTENSION, SO WE

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1 COULD SAY WE'RE TWO MONTHS EARLY. WE'RE NOT ON THE LAST DAY.  
2 OR TWO YEARS LATE, DEPENDING UPON HOW YOU LOOK AT THAT. SO  
3 WITH THAT, IF THERE'S ANY QUESTIONS, I'D BE MORE THAN HAPPY TO  
4 ANSWER THOSE QUESTIONS.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE OTHER THING, AS LONG AS YOU'RE HERE,  
7 IS THE REPORT ON THE SPORTS CAMP IS DUE BACK AND WE HAVEN'T  
8 RECEIVED ANYTHING YET.

9

10 **JERRY POWERS:** YOU'LL GET IT SHORTLY. I HAVE ONE LAST READ  
11 THROUGH ON IT AND YOU'LL HAVE IT.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** TODAY, RIGHT?

14

15 **JERRY POWERS:** YES.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ANY QUESTIONS OF MR. POWERS AT THIS  
18 POINT? PARDON ME? RIGHT. MR. PREVEN AND MR. -- IT'S A RECEIVE  
19 AND FILE ITEM. OKAY. MR. SACHS?

20

21 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES. THANK YOU, GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS. I  
22 BELIEVE SUPERVISOR KNABE, YOU WERE WRONG. YOU MENTIONED THIS  
23 IS ON AN UPDATE OF A.B.109. BUT THIS IS NOT REALLY AN UPDATE  
24 ON A.B.109. THIS IS AN UPDATE ON THE COMPREHENSIVE SERVICES  
25 BEING PROVIDED TO THE A.B.109 POPULATION. WHICH BRINGS INTO

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1 ACCOUNT THE PROP 30 FUNDING. THIS IS FROM YOUR CHIEF EXECUTIVE  
2 OFFICER FROM DECEMBER 11, 2012, THAT THE STATE PROP 30, WHICH  
3 IS APPROVED BY VOTERS, AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION TO  
4 GUARANTEE FUNDING FOR PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES REALIGNED FROM  
5 THE STATES AND COUNTIES UNDER THE PUBLIC SAFETY RE-ALIGNMENT  
6 ACT. THAT'S PROP 109-- A.B.109. NOW, WHAT WAS INTERESTING  
7 ABOUT THIS IS THAT IT GENERATES FROM 6.8 BILLION TO \$9 BILLION  
8 IN 2012-'13 AND 5.4 BILLION TO 7.6 BILLION EACH OF THE FIVE  
9 FISCAL FOLLOWING YEARS. YET IN DECEMBER 3, 2013, THE L.A.O.,  
10 WHICH IS THE LEGISLATIVE ANALYST'S OFFICES, FORECAST THE STATE  
11 WILL END FISCAL YEAR 2013-'14 WITH A \$2.4 BILLION RESERVE. THE  
12 REASON I BRING THE NUMBERS UP IS YOU HAVE A DIFFERENCE OF \$2  
13 BILLION, PRETTY MUCH ON AVERAGE WITH WHAT YOU'RE GETTING FROM  
14 PROP 30 FUNDING, WHICH IS WHY YOU WERE SO QUIET WHEN YOU MET  
15 WITH THE GOVERNOR. REMEMBER THAT VIOLATION OF THE BROWN ACT?  
16 WHOOP DI DO. BUT AGAIN, THIS STORY ABOUT FATHER BOYLE AND  
17 REMOVAL OF TATTOOS AND THE FACT THAT YOU'RE GETTING NO MONEY,  
18 HE'S GETTING NO MONEY. BUT THIS IS ABOUT A.B.109 SERVICES.  
19 THEY PROVIDE SERVICES TO RELEASED CONVICTS. WHY AREN'T THEY  
20 GETTING ANY MONEY FROM THE COUNTY OUT OF THE PROP 30 FUNDING  
21 THAT YOU'RE GETTING TO KEEP QUIET? CAN YOU ANSWER THAT  
22 QUESTION? BECAUSE THEY DO HAVE A SUCCESSFUL PROGRAM. AND THEY  
23 ARE HURTING FOR FUNDING. AND YOU GUYS, YOU SHOULD BE GETTING  
24 YOUR TATTOOS REMOVED. THAT YOU EARNED WHEN YOU GO TO PRISON.  
25 SOONER THAN LATER.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

3

4 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YOU'RE WELCOME.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'LL SEE YOU THERE.

7

8 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YEAH. I'LL COME VISIT HA-HA.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** RECEIVE AND FILE. ITEM HAS BEEN RECEIVED  
11 AND FILED. CROSSED IT OFF? I CROSSED IT OFF, BUT I GUESS YOU  
12 WANTED TO HOLD IT. GO AHEAD, SIR.

13

14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR. ITEM 4 IS A MATTER  
15 THAT IS RATHER SIGNIFICANT FOR US AND THERE ARE SEVERAL  
16 PERSONS WHO ARE HERE WHO WISH TO BE HEARD ON THE ITEM. AND I  
17 WOULD ASK THAT THEY BE AFFORDED THE OPPORTUNITY.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ITEM NO. 4. DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL?  
20 RACHAEL THOMAS. DR. BARBARA HERNANDEZ. IDENTIFY YOURSELF AND  
21 START, PLEASE.

22

23 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. GOOD MORNING,  
24 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. WE HAVE TWO MINUTES TODAY, OKAY. ANYWAY,  
25 AS USUAL, IT SEEMS THAT YOUR RECOURSE OF EVERYTHING IS TO

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1 EDUCATE, WHICH I AM A GREAT BELIEVER IN IT. BUT IT SEEMS TO ME  
2 THAT IN ADDITION TO EDUCATE THE PEOPLE FROM D.C.F.S. WHO ARE  
3 ALREADY NOT DOING VERY WELL ON EITHER SUBJECT, MAYBE IT WOULD  
4 BE ALSO VERY GOOD TO GET THE PEOPLE WHO COMMIT THE CRIME TO BE  
5 PUNISHED AND DO SOME ENFORCEMENT AS TO HAVE SOME STRONG  
6 IMPLEMENTATION OF THOSE RULES. I AM, LIKE I SAID RECENTLY, ALL  
7 OUR UNIVERSITY WOULD BE VERY HAPPY BECAUSE WE ARE GIVING THEM  
8 WORK IN ADDITION TO THE WORK THEY'RE SUPPOSED TO DO. AND  
9 PERSONALLY, I WOULD LIKE TO SEE WHAT THE FOSTER PARENTS HAVE  
10 TO GO THROUGH ON A REGULAR BASIS TO BE FIRST OF ALL APPROVED  
11 BY THE COUNTY AND SO ON. HOW MUCH RESEARCH HAS BEEN DONE TO  
12 SEE WHAT'S REALLY GOING ON. I THINK IT IS A LOT OF PUBLICITY  
13 ABOUT THOSE SITUATIONS. AND I'M KIND OF WORRIED THAT IT IS A  
14 DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN WHO ARE GOING TO TAKE CARE OF THAT  
15 BECAUSE THEY ARE ALREADY DOING SO POORLY IN SO MANY OTHER  
16 AREAS. THANK YOU FOR BRINGING THAT ITEM.

17  
18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, GENEVIEVE. NEXT?

19  
20 **DR. BARBARA HERNANDEZ:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS DR. BARBARA  
21 HERNANDEZ, REPRESENTING CRITTENTON SERVICES FOR CHILDREN AND  
22 FAMILIES. I'M THE VICE PRESIDENT OF COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES  
23 THAT OVERSEES ALL OF OUR COMMUNITY AGENCY EFFORTS TO COMBAT  
24 COMMERCIAL SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF CHILDREN WHICH I'LL REFER TO  
25 AS C.S.E.C. I WANT TO TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO THANK THE BOARD

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1 OF SUPERVISORS FOR ALLOWING ME TO SPEAK TODAY. CRITTENDEN'S  
2 LEGACY IS BASED ON SERVING THE C.S.E.C. POPULATION AND I'M  
3 HERE TODAY TO SPEAK ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF EDUCATION AND  
4 TRAINING OF CAREGIVERS AND STAFF WHO COME INTO CONTACT WITH  
5 THIS POPULATION. IT'S BEEN MY EXPERIENCE THAT CHILDREN  
6 ENTERING INTO THE CHILD WELFARE OR JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM ARE  
7 ALREADY AT HIGH RISK, GIVEN THE TRAUMAS THAT THEY'VE ENDURED  
8 THROUGHOUT THE YEARS. THEREFORE, UPON A CHILD'S ENTERING SUCH  
9 A SYSTEM, IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT STAFF AND CAREGIVERS BE WELL  
10 VERSED ON C.S.E.C. ISSUES TO BE ABLE TO IDENTIFY SEX  
11 TRAFFICKING, IDENTIFY PROPER PLACEMENT OPTIONS, SPECIFICALLY  
12 WITH SPECIALIZED SERVICES IN SEX TRAFFICKING AND TO BETTER TAP  
13 INTO RESOURCES FOR THE YOUTH WHILE IN RESIDENTIAL PLACEMENT OR  
14 GROUP HOME PLACEMENT, FOSTER CARE PLACEMENT AND ALSO WHEN  
15 RETURNING BACK TO THE COMMUNITIES WHERE THEY WERE EXPLOITED IN  
16 THE FIRST PLACE. OVERALL, I FOUND TRAINING AND EDUCATION TO  
17 HAVE LED TO BETTER METHODS OF IDENTIFICATION AND TREATMENT,  
18 WHICH IN TURN HAS HELPED PREVENT AT-RISK YOUTH FROM FALLING  
19 THROUGH THE CRACKS. LONG, LONG AGO I WAS A CLINICIAN IN FOSTER  
20 CARE. AND I HAD AN EXPERIENCE WHERE I MISSED SEX TRAFFICKING  
21 BECAUSE I WASN'T WELL VERSED IN DOMESTIC MINOR SEX  
22 TRAFFICKING. THE VERBIAGE WAS THERE. AND I WAS A TRAINED  
23 CLINICIAN AND I MISSED IT. AND I REGRET IT. AND IN HINDSIGHT I  
24 DON'T KNOW WHERE THAT GIRL WAS. SHE WAS 15 AT THE TIME. SHE  
25 MUST BE AN ADULT AT THIS POINT. BUT IT JUST PROVES A POINT

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1 THAT THEY NEED TO BE WELL-TRAINED AND BE ABLE TO IDENTIFY IT  
2 EARLY ON SO WE CAN PARTNER WITH D.C.F.S. AND PROBATION.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. I MEAN, I WOULD AGREE. I MEAN  
5 ONE OF THE THINGS THAT I THINK IS REALLY IMPORTANT IN REGARD  
6 TO THIS WHOLE SITUATION IS MAKING SURE THAT ALL OF OUR  
7 PARTNERS ARE EFFECTIVELY TRAINED IN HOW TO WORK WITH OR  
8 IDENTIFY. WE'VE TRAINED OVER 3,000 COUNTY EMPLOYEES ON LOOK  
9 SEES, AS IT RELATES TO CHILD SEX TRAFFICKING. OBVIOUSLY WE  
10 HAVE MORE TO DO. BUT WE NEED A TRULY COUNTY-WIDE RESPONSE TO  
11 THIS VERY, VERY HORRIFIC CRIME.

12

13 **DR. BARBARA HERNANDEZ:** AND AS A TRAINED CLINICIAN, IF I MAY,  
14 YOU THINK YOU KNOW WHAT YOU'RE LOOKING FOR, YOU KNOW,  
15 BACHELOR'S, MASTER'S, I DIDN'T.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S WHY WE'RE USING SURVIVORS TO HELP  
18 TRAIN BECAUSE SURVIVORS HAVE A GREAT HANDLE.

19

20 **DR. BARBARA HERNANDEZ.:** ABSOLUTELY.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MA'AM?

23

24 **RACHEL THOMAS:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS RACHEL THOMAS. AND IT  
25 SOUNDS LIKE I'LL BE REITERATING WHAT'S ALREADY BEEN SAID. SO

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1 JUST AGAIN TO THANK YOU FOR CONSIDERING THIS INITIATIVE. AND  
2 AS A SURVIVOR OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND A HUMAN TRAFFICKING  
3 AWARENESS EDUCATOR, I KNOW FROM PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL  
4 EXPERIENCE THAT EDUCATION IS THE BEST INOCULATION. AND I SAY  
5 INOCULATION BECAUSE SEX TRAFFICKING IS A GROWING AND DEADLY  
6 EPIDEMIC, AS YOU KNOW. AND WITH THE AVERAGE LIFE EXPECTANCY OF  
7 A TRAFFICKING VICTIM BEING SEVEN YEARS FROM THE FIRST NIGHT HE  
8 OR SHE IS TRAFFICKED, IT'S TRULY A MATTER OF LIFE OR DEATH.  
9 AND LIKE ANY DISEASE, THE FIRST STEP TO STAMPING OUT THIS  
10 PROBLEM IS RECOGNIZING THE SYMPTOMS AND UNDERSTANDING THE  
11 CAUSES. IN MY OWN SITUATION, I FIRMLY BELIEVED IF I HAD KNOWN  
12 WHAT TO LOOK FOR, IF MY PARENTS HAD KNOWN WHAT TO LOOK FOR, I  
13 MAY HAVE BEEN SPARED. AND THE SAME IS TRUE TODAY. IF THE 13-  
14 YEAR-OLD GIRL FROM A GROUP HOME KNEW WHAT TO LOOK FOR OR IF  
15 HER CAREGIVERS KNEW WHAT TO LOOK FOR, SHE MIGHT HAVE BEEN  
16 SPARED. BUT THE SAD REALITY IS THAT OVER HALF OF ALL CHILD  
17 EXPLOITATION VICTIMS ARE FROM THE CHILD WELFARE SYSTEM. AND  
18 EVEN MORE DISTURBING REALITY IS THAT MOST OF THESE VICTIMS ARE  
19 BEING LURED AND TRAPPED BY THE SAME SET OF STRATEGIES. MOST OF  
20 THEM ARE NOT BEING KIDNAPPED RANDOMLY. THEY ARE LURED. THERE'S  
21 A GROOMING PROCESS, A RECOGNIZABLE HONEYMOON PHASE WITH  
22 RECOGNIZABLE SIGNS. SO, WITH MY ORGANIZATION, AND WE PARTNER  
23 WITH OTHER SURVIVORS AND AGENCIES, WE ARE DOING THESE  
24 TRAININGS IN FOSTER CARE PLACEMENTS. AND WE TELL THEM THE TOP  
25 THREE INDICATORS THAT A CHILD IS BEING GROOMED. WE TELL THEM

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1 WHAT TO DO WHEN THEY NOTICE THE SIGNS. AND WE EQUIP THEM WITH  
2 KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS TO HELP KEEP OUR YOUNG PEOPLE SAFE,  
3 BECAUSE IF WE DON'T DO IT, WHO WILL? AND I'M GLAD THAT YOU  
4 ACKNOWLEDGE THE SURVIVOR VOICE AND IMPORTANCE IN THIS PROCESS  
5 AS WE ARE EXPERTS ON THE TOPIC, AND WE ARE WELL-POSITIONED TO  
6 BE PART OF THE SOLUTION.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ABSOLUTELY. THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR  
9 YOUR COURAGE. OKAY. TWO OTHER, ERIC PREVEN AND ARNOLD SACHS.

10

11 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, IT'S COUNTY RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3, ALSO  
12 CANDIDATE FOR ZEV'S SEAT. I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT THIS IS  
13 EXCELLENT BECAUSE TRAINING THE C.S.E.C. TRAINING, TWO OF THE  
14 CHARACTERS WHO ARE WORKING IN THESE FOSTER HOMES AND IN THE  
15 PROBATION PROGRAMS THAT PUT CHILDREN INTO THIS FOSTER HOME  
16 NEED TO SEE THE SIGNS AND NEED TO BE UP ON IT. AND I THINK  
17 IT'S VERY, VERY HELPFUL TO BE ROLLING THAT OUT. I NOTICE THAT  
18 THAT WAS THE LAST ITEM ON THE AGENDA OF THIS PARTICULAR ITEM.  
19 I'M VERY SUPPORTIVE OF THIS AND I WON'T TAKE ANY MORE TIME.  
20 THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. SACHS?

23

24 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. WAIT, I'M SORRY.  
25 GOOD MORNING, ARNOLD SACHS. I'M READING THIS REPORT A, SAYS

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1 YOU'RE REQUIRING THE STATE LICENSED FOSTER PARENTS TO COMPLETE  
2 ANNUAL C.S.E.C. TRAINING, SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO WHAT THE  
3 TRAINING DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH 1 SUBDIVISION A, BLAH. YOU CAN  
4 REQUIRE THE STATE TO-- THE STATE FOSTER PARENTS, LICENSED  
5 FOSTER PARENTS TO DO COUNTY TRAINING? ARE YOU GOING TO PROVIDE  
6 THE FUNDING TO THE STATE FOSTER PARENTS TO DO THAT TRAINING? I  
7 KNOW WE HEARD A LOT OF DISCUSSIONS ABOUT THE STATE FUNDING  
8 FOSTER CARE AND HEALTHCARE AND THE LACK OF STATE FUNDING. SO  
9 WHO'S GOING TO PROVIDE THE FUNDING TO REQUIRE THE FOSTER  
10 PARENTS TO COMPLETE THIS TRAINING? AND THE FOSTER FAMILY  
11 AGENCIES AND THE GROUP HOMES, ARE THEY STATE OR COUNTY-  
12 LICENSED? DOESN'T SAY HERE. IF THEY'RE STATE LICENSED, AGAIN,  
13 THE SAME QUESTION. WHO'S GOING TO PROVIDE THE FUNDING? AND HOW  
14 DO YOU GET THEM-- WHY DON'T YOU SEND A FIVE-SIGNATURE LETTER  
15 TO THEM, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, ABOUT FUNDING FOR SEXUALLY  
16 COMMERCIAL EXPLOITED CHILDREN? WHY DON'T YOU SEND A LETTER TO  
17 THE STATE LEGISLATURE ABOUT THAT, THAT WE NEED TO HAVE THE  
18 STATE LICENSED FOSTER FAMILY AGENCIES AND GROUP HOMES AND  
19 FOSTER PARENTS COMPLETE THIS TRAINING INSTEAD OF WORRYING  
20 ABOUT MOVIE INDUSTRY THAT LEFT 10 YEARS AGO. MAYBE IF YOU DID  
21 THAT, YOU WOULDN'T HAVE SO MANY SEXUALLY EXPLOITED CHILDREN.  
22 WHO IS LICENSING THESE PEOPLE, WHO'S TRAINING THEM? YOU HAVE  
23 TWO DIFFERENT CATEGORIES HERE. AND AS USUAL, NEITHER ONE OF  
24 THE QUESTIONS ARE GOING TO BE ANSWERED BECAUSE ALL YOU'RE  
25 INTERESTED THIS IS THE-- DIFFERENT NUMBER-- IS GETTING SOME



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1 MONEY. THAT'S REALLY ALL THAT'S REALLY GOING TO HAPPEN HERE  
2 BECAUSE OTHERWISE WE'D FIND OUT ABOUT THOSE 500 PEOPLE THAT  
3 WERE AUTHORIZED TO BE HIRED FOR D.C.F.S. WE ARE STILL MISSING  
4 THOSE NUMBERS.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

7

8 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, SIR.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** JOHN WALSH?

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12 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH BLOGGING AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG OR  
13 JWALSH CONFIDENTIAL TWEETING THIS MEETING AT HOLLYWOOD DEMS.  
14 WELL THERE'S AN OBVIOUS QUESTION HERE. IF THERE'S TRAINING, IS  
15 THERE A TEST AT THE END OF THE TRAINING? DO YOU KNOW WHETHER  
16 THOSE PEOPLE WHO WERE SITTING THERE BEING TRAINED, WHETHER  
17 THEY'VE ABSORBED THE KNOWLEDGE? WHAT WILL PASSING BE? WHAT  
18 WILL BE A D? WHAT WILL BE AN F? AGAIN, TRAINING, TRAINING,  
19 TRAINING. IF THIS TRAINING WAS NECESSARY, WHY DID IT TAKE THIS  
20 COUNTY 100 YEARS TO COME UP WITH IT? THE ONLY PROBLEM HERE IS  
21 NOT TRAINING; THE PROBLEM IS POLITICAL. NOW, WE WILL SOLVE  
22 THIS PROBLEM FAIRLY SOON WHEN MOST OF YOU DISAPPEAR WITHIN A  
23 COUPLE OF YEARS. WE SHOULD HAVE SHEILA KUEHL AND THE REST OF  
24 THEM GETTING UP HERE AND GETTING ON THE RECORD. YOUR ANSWER TO  
25 EVERYTHING IS TRAINING AND FORMING COMMISSIONS THAT YOU'RE

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1 TREATING THE CHILDREN THE SAME WAY YOU TREAT THE COPS, THE  
2 SHERIFFS. THIS D.C.F.S. IS OUT OF CONTROL, MORE TRAINING. I  
3 MEAN, YOU GO TO CITY COUNCIL, I NEVER SEE ANYONE CRYING AT  
4 CITY COUNCIL. PEOPLE GET UP AND THEY'RE ANGRY BECAUSE THEY'RE  
5 PAYING TOO MANY TAXES. THIS IS THE ONLY PLACE WHERE I SEE  
6 WOMEN AND PARENTS CRYING. AND WHY ARE THEY CRYING? BECAUSE YOU  
7 FAILED THEM. YOU FAILED THEM. YOU EITHER TOOK THEIR CHILDREN  
8 AWAY WHEN THEY SHOULDN'T HAVE BEEN TAKEN AWAY OR YOU DIDN'T  
9 TAKE THE CHILDREN AWAY WHEN THEY SHOULD HAVE BEEN TAKEN AWAY.  
10 AND THE L.A. TIMES HASN'T BEEN TOO BAD ON TAKING CARE OF  
11 BUSINESS HERE. HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG FOR THE TRUTH. TAKE BACK  
12 YOUR 13 SECONDS.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GLADLY. MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. CHAIRMAN. AND I  
17 WISH TO ACKNOWLEDGE THOSE WHO CAME FORTH TO SPEAK, RACHEL  
18 THOMAS AND DR. BARBARA HERNANDEZ FOR THEIR TESTIMONY. I'D LIKE  
19 TO ASK THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY  
20 SERVICES IF HE WOULD COME FORWARD TO COMMENT ON THE MATTER. IT  
21 SEEMS TO ME WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO MOVE THIS ISSUE IN THE  
22 RIGHT DIRECTION. WE HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO STRENGTHEN  
23 CAREGIVERS AND MAKE SURE THAT THEY ARE PROPERLY TRAINED AND  
24 HAVE BETTER SKILLS IN DIAGNOSING THE ISSUES AT HAND, SPOT  
25 CHECKING AND THE LIKE. IMPORTANT THAT CAREGIVERS, I BELIEVE,

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1 ARE EDUCATED ON THIS ISSUE BECAUSE THE BOARD HAD SET IT AS A  
2 PRIORITY. MR. CHAIRMAN, I WANT TO SALUTE YOUR LEADERSHIP ON  
3 THIS ISSUE. IT'S VERY IMPORTANT THAT WE STAY ON THE CASE HERE.  
4 AND I WOULD ASK THAT MR. BROWNING OFFER HIS VIEWS ON THE  
5 MATTER AT HAND.

6

7 **PHILIP BROWNING:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. I THINK THIS BOARD HAS  
8 TAKEN A LEADERSHIP ROLE NOT ONLY IN THE STATE BUT IN THE  
9 NATION IN TERMS OF THIS SPECIFIC ISSUE. IF YOU LOOK BACK FIVE  
10 OR SIX YEARS AGO, THERE WERE VERY FEW PEOPLE THAT HAD TALKED  
11 ABOUT THIS ISSUE AS MUCH AS WITHIN THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS.  
12 SO I THINK EDUCATION IS CRITICAL. ON BEHALF OF YOUR BOARD,  
13 WE'VE BEEN WORKING WITH THE COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS'  
14 ASSOCIATION IN LOS ANGELES TO TRY TO COME UP WITH A FUNDING  
15 PROPOSAL THAT WOULD HELP PROVIDE RESOURCES FOR TRAINING.  
16 TRAINING IS CRITICAL. THERE CAN NEVER BE ENOUGH TRAINING. WE  
17 HAVE THOUSANDS OF SOCIAL WORKERS WHO EVERY DAY COME INTO  
18 CONTACT WITH POTENTIAL VICTIMS. WE HAVE THOUSANDS OF FOSTER  
19 PARENTS, RELATIVE CAREGIVERS, GROUP HOME PROVIDERS THAT EVERY  
20 DAY COME INTO CONTACT WITH INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE INVOLVED IN OR  
21 POTENTIALLY COULD BE INVOLVED IN COMMERCIAL SEX TRAFFICKING.  
22 WITHOUT EDUCATION, I DON'T THINK WE WOULD BE ABLE TO DO NEARLY  
23 WHAT IS NEEDED. WE NEED TO EDUCATE OUR STAFF, OUR D.C.F.S.  
24 STAFF, AND WE WORK WITH PROBATION, ALONG WITH SOME OF YOUR  
25 BOARD DEPUTIES, TO DO THAT. BUT I THINK THERE IS A LOT MORE

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1 TRAINING THAT IS NEEDED. I DO THINK THIS OPPORTUNITY, THE 30-  
2 DAY REPORT BACK WILL GIVE US TIME TO ACTUALLY CRAFT SOMETHING  
3 THAT MIGHT BE WORKABLE. BUT IT'S CRITICAL THAT WE HAVE FUNDING  
4 THAT WOULD ACCOMPANY THIS. IF THIS MOTION PASSES, I'M SURE  
5 WE'LL BE WORKING WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, SINCE  
6 THEY ARE A PLAYER IN THIS ISSUE, ANYWAY. AND I DO WANT TO SAY  
7 THAT I THINK EDUCATION IS CRITICAL. SO FROM THAT PERSPECTIVE,  
8 WE CERTAINLY SUPPORT THIS MOTION.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THEN YOU'RE GOING TO EXPLORE, ALONG WITH THE  
11 FUNDING, THE FREQUENCY OF THIS TYPE OF A PROGRAM? WILL IT BE  
12 YEARLY? IF YOU'RE A FOSTER PARENT, DO YOU DO IT EVERY TWO  
13 YEARS? YOU'LL COME BACK IN YOUR REPORT.

14

15 **PHILIP BROWNING:** WE'LL COME BACK. WHAT WE'D LIKE TO DO IS TAKE  
16 THE CURRENT TRAINING REQUIREMENTS THAT ARE ALREADY IN  
17 EXISTENCE FOR FOSTER PARENTS AND GROUP HOMES. THERE ARE NONE  
18 THAT ARE IN EXISTENCE FOR RELATIVE CAREGIVERS. IT'S FAIRLY  
19 MINIMAL. BUT SEE HOW WE CAN CRAFT SOMETHING THAT WOULD WORK  
20 WITHIN THOSE CONFINES.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** GOOD.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YES.

25

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1   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I WANT TO BE SURE THAT COUNTY COUNSEL IS  
2   INVOLVED IN THIS CONSORTIUM OF OUR FOLKS. SO I'D LIKE TO JUST  
3   ADD THEM WHERE IT TALKS ABOUT D.C.F.S. AND PROBATION, IN  
4   CONSULTATION WITH COUNTY COUNSEL [INAUDIBLE]. THE OTHER THING  
5   IS, ARE WE NOT WORKING OR ARE WE WORKING WITH THE CALIFORNIA  
6   WELFARE ASSOCIATION, WHATEVER IT'S CALLED?

7

8   **PHILIP BROWNING:** WELFARE DIRECTORS' ASSOCIATION? WE ARE. IN  
9   FACT, IT WAS LOS ANGELES COUNTY, I THINK, THAT REALLY PROMPTED  
10   THE ASSOCIATION TO MOVE AS FAR AS THEY DID WITH THEIR BUDGET  
11   PROPOSAL. IT'S A PROPOSAL. IT'S NOT LEGISLATION. IT'S FUNDING  
12   THAT WOULD BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE ENTIRE STATE BASED ON A  
13   PRORATED ALLOCATION FORMULA. SO WE'RE SUPPORTIVE OF THAT. I  
14   DON'T KNOW THAT THE BOARD HAS TAKEN AN ACTUAL POSITION ON  
15   THAT. BUT FROM MY PERSPECTIVE, WE'VE CERTAINLY BEEN PUSHING  
16   THAT AS AN OPTION TO PROVIDE TRAINING.

17

18   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU SIT ON THE C.W.D. A.

19

20   **PHILIP BROWNING:** RIGHT. I'M ON THE EXECUTIVE BOARD.

21

22   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** EXECUTIVE BOARD. DOES OUR TAKING A POSITION  
23   LIKE THIS GET OUT AHEAD OF THEM IN ANY WAY? WILL THIS BE  
24   VIEWED AS COMPATIBLE EFFORT ON OUR PART TO WHAT THEY'RE DOING?

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1   **PHILIP BROWNING:** WELL, I WOULD THINK THAT WHAT WE WOULD SAY IF  
2   ASKED IS THAT WE'RE ANTICIPATING THAT THERE WILL BE SOME  
3   FUNDING, THAT WE'RE TRYING TO BE READY SHOULD BE THE FUNDING  
4   BE PUT INTO THE BUDGET BILL, BUT THAT LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
5   PROBABLY DOESN'T HAVE THE RESOURCES IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE THAT  
6   WOULD BE NEEDED. SO I WOULDN'T WANT TO LET THEM HAVE THE  
7   BELIEF THAT WE'RE MOVING AHEAD OF THEM SINCE THERE IS MONEY  
8   THERE.

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10   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BUT THERE'S OTHER COUNTIES INVOLVED.  
11   THERE'S OTHER COUNTIES THAT HAVE INTEREST IN THIS. IT'S NOT  
12   JUST L.A. COUNTY.

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14   **PHILIP BROWNING:** THAT'S CORRECT. THAT'S CORRECT.

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16   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I MEAN, IT'S A STATEWIDE ISSUE.

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18   **PHILIP BROWNING:** IT IS A STATEWIDE ISSUE. I GUESS THE BOARD  
19   COULD TAKE A POSITION TO SUPPORT THAT BUDGET PROPOSAL IF IT SO  
20   DESIRED. I MEAN FROM A COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTOR AND CHILD  
21   WELFARE DIRECTOR'S POSITION, I'M CERTAINLY PUSHING FOR THAT AT  
22   MY LEVEL, BUT I DON'T REPRESENT THE BOARD IN ITS FULL  
23   ENTIRETY, THOUGH.

24

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1    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I MEAN, THIS IS A REPORT BACK, SO I THINK  
2    WE'LL GET IT BACK AND HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO LOOK AT IT, BUT  
3    WHAT I DON'T THINK WE OUGHT TO BE DOING IS CONVEYING THE  
4    IMPRESSION THAT WE'RE GOING TO UNDERTAKE THIS KIND OF A  
5    TRAINING PROGRAM AND OUR OWN NICKEL BECAUSE, FRANKLY, WE'RE  
6    NOT GOING TO DO IT. WE JUST DON'T HAVE THE RESOURCES TO DO IT.  
7    OR IF WE DO, IT'S GOING TO COME OUT OF SOME OTHER IMPORTANT  
8    THING IN YOUR DEPARTMENT OR SOMEWHERE ELSE. IT ALWAYS BOTHERS  
9    ME WHEN WE TRY TO DO SOMETHING ON OUR OWN PRE-EMPTIVELY AND  
10   THEN WE GO UP TO SACRAMENTO AND THEY SAY "WELL YOU'RE ALREADY  
11   DOING THIS. WHAT DO YOU NEED OUR MONEY FOR?" I DON'T THINK  
12   THAT'S THE INTENT HERE. I THINK WE WANT TO GET-- WHAT I'M  
13   DRIVING AT IS I THINK WE WANT TO WORK WITH C.W.D.A. TO GET A  
14   MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF MONEY OUT OF THE STATE TO HELP CREATE A  
15   PROGRAM LIKE THIS. AND THEN TO THE EXTENT WE NEED TO  
16   SUPPLEMENT, IF WE DO NEED TO SUPPLEMENT IT, LOCALLY, THAT'S  
17   FINE. BUT I JUST DON'T WANT TO CONVEY THE IMPRESSION TO  
18   LEGISLATORS IN SACRAMENTO THAT, "WE SAW YOU WANT TO DO THIS ON  
19   YOUR OWN, SO WHAT ARE YOU COMING UP HERE AND ASKING US MONEY  
20   FOR?"

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22   **PHILIP BROWNING:** WELL, I THINK THE REPORT BACK WOULD CONTAIN  
23   WHAT RESOURCES WOULD BE NEEDED. I DON'T SEE THIS AS A COST-  
24   FREE PROPOSAL. I DO THINK THERE WOULD BE A COST, AND SO WE  
25   WOULD CERTAINLY LOOK TO SEE WHAT THOSE COSTS MIGHT BE WHICH



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1 MIGHT REINFORCE THE C.W.D.A. PROPOSAL, BECAUSE NO COUNT CAN DO  
2 THIS ON THEIR OWN UNLESS THEY TAKE IT AWAY FROM OTHER PROGRAMS  
3 THAT ARE CURRENTLY IN EXISTENCE.

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I THINK WHEN YOU COME BACK WITH YOUR REPORT  
6 BACK, IF THERE IS A COST WHICH THERE WILL BE A COST ATTACHED  
7 TO IT, THEN I THINK YOU NEED TO BE STRAIGHTFORWARD WITH US  
8 ABOUT WHETHER THIS IS THE KIND OF THING THAT YOU WOULD  
9 RECOMMEND WE FUND 100 PERCENT OF THE WAY. I CAN'T IMAGINE YOU  
10 WOULD. AND I CAN'T IMAGINE WE WOULD WANT TO, ESPECIALLY SINCE  
11 THERE'S AN EFFORT BEING MADE IN SACRAMENTO TRYING TO GET SOME  
12 MONEY, ALTHOUGH IT'S NOT SEEN ITS WAY TO THE LEGISLATURE YET,  
13 BUT I SUPPOSE AT SOME POINT BETWEEN NOW AND MAY IT'S GOING TO  
14 GET-- IT'S GOING TO FIND ITS WAY INTO THE HOPPER SOMEWHERE.

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16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I THINK IT'S MOVING THAT WAY.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH.

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20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BUT I MEAN ON THE OTHER HAND, I DON'T  
21 THINK JUST BECAUSE A LACK OF-- WE NEED TO BE PREPARED TO DEAL  
22 WITH IT NO MATTER WHAT, IN SOME WAY, SHAPE OR FORM. THERE'S A  
23 LOT GOING ON IN PROBATION. THERE'S A LOT GOING ON D.C.F.S.  
24 THERE'S A LOT GOING ON WITH TRAINING, AND USING EXISTING  
25 SURVIVORS TO DO THAT. WE TRAINED OVER 3,000 COUNTY EMPLOYEES.

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1 SO IT'S NOT GOING TO GO AWAY. IT'S AN ARGUMENT, YOU'RE RIGHT,  
2 ABOUT THE ARGUMENT IF YOU'RE GOING TO DO IT ON YOUR OWN, YOU  
3 DON'T NEED OUR DIME. WE NEED TO PROTECT AGAINST THAT, BUT ALSO  
4 INCLUDE THESE OTHER COUNTIES. IT'S A C.S.E.C. ISSUE, IT'S A  
5 L.A.C.O.E. ISSUE. IT'S A HUGE ISSUE, NOT ONLY IN OUR COUNTY  
6 BUT OTHER COUNTIES, BUT THE STATE AND THE NATION.

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8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I ASSUME WE ARE WORKING WITH C.W.D.A. TO  
9 PROMOTE A STATE PARTICIPATION IN THIS, ARE WE NOT?

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11 **PHILIP BROWNING:** WE ARE. WE ARE.

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13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HAVE WE TAKEN A POSITION ON THAT AS A  
14 COUNTY?

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16 **PHILIP BROWNING:** I DON'T THINK THE COUNTY HAS. AS THE CHILD  
17 WELFARE DIRECTOR, I'VE TAKEN A POSITION.

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I UNDERSTAND THAT.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BUT THE BILL HASN'T BEEN WRITTEN YET IN  
22 FULL LANGUAGE?

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1   **PHILIP BROWNING:** I'M NOT SURE THERE'S GOING TO BE A BILL. I  
2   THINK THERE'S GOING TO BE A TRAILER BILL LANGUAGE THAT WILL  
3   GET THERE.

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5   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S MY POINT. BILL OR TRAILER BILL,  
6   IT HASN'T BEEN WRITTEN YET.

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8   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IT MAY NOT GET WRITTEN UNTIL THE LAST  
9   MINUTE.

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11   **PHILIP BROWNING:** THAT'S MY THOUGHT. I THINK THERE ARE PEOPLE  
12   WHO ARE SUPPORTING THIS. I CAN SEE THIS BEING ADDED AS A  
13   BUDGET TRAILER AT THE LAST MINUTE.

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15   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I THINK ONE OF THE THINGS WHEN YOU GIVE YOUR  
16   REPORT BACK IN 30 DAYS IS YOU OUGHT TO RECOMMEND TO US THAT WE  
17   TAKE A POSITION OF SUPPORT OF EFFORTS THAT WOULD GET STATE  
18   FUNDING FOR THIS, AS WELL. I DON'T THINK THAT'S MENTIONED.

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20   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WELL THE URBAN COUNTY CAUCUS TOOK AN  
21   INFORMAL POSITION IN SUPPORT OF THE--

22

23   **PHILIP BROWNING:** C.W.D.A.

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** C.W.D.A.'S EFFORTS TO MOVE FORWARD FOR  
2    FUNDING FOR THAT TRAILER BILL OR EXISTING BILL.

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4    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHY DON'T WE TAKE A POSITION OF SUPPORT?

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6    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I AGREE.

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8    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** LET ME JUST MAKE A VERBAL AMENDMENT THAT WE  
9    SUPPORT THE EFFORTS OF THE C.W.D.A. AND OUR D.C.F.S. DIRECTOR  
10   TO SECURE STATE FUNDING FOR THESE PURPOSES.

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12   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I SECOND IT.

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14   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME JUST SAY THAT THIS IS A VERY IMPORTANT  
15   ISSUE. AND WE HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY. THE STATE DOESN'T FUND  
16   IT. WE HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY. BUT ALSO WE HAVE THE  
17   RESPONSIBILITY OF DEVELOPING PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS. I  
18   KNOW UNITED WAY SPENDS A LOT OF DOLLARS ON STUDY AFTER STUDY  
19   AFTER STUDY. THEY HAVE A GROUP OF CONSULTANTS THAT FEED OFF OF  
20   THEM WHEN PUTTING THESE DOLLARS INTO ACTUAL PROGRAMS THAT  
21   WOULD HELP THESE KIDS MAKE A LOT MORE SENSE. SO LET'S SAY  
22   THERE ARE PRIVATE FOUNDATIONS AND OTHER CHARITABLE  
23   ORGANIZATIONS THAT WE CAN WORK WITH TO ASSIST WITH THE  
24   FUNDING. BUT TO SAY THAT IF THE STATE HAS TO DO IT OR WE LEAVE  
25   THESE GIRLS ON THE STREET, THAT'S TOTALLY IRRESPONSIBLE. AND

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1 WE NEED TO LOOK AT HOW WE CAN DEVELOP FUNDING FOR THESE  
2 PROGRAMS, PERIOD.

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4 **PHILIP BROWNING:** I THINK WE'LL COME BACK IN 30 DAYS WITH A  
5 REPORT THAT WILL DESCRIBE FUNDING OPTIONS AND POSSIBLE  
6 SOLUTIONS TO FIND THAT FUNDING.

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. MR. CHAIRMAN?

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YES. MR. BROWNING, I THINK YOU'RE  
11 HEARING DIFFERENT ACCENTS ON WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE. AND I  
12 THINK IT'S CONSISTENT WITH YOUR REPRESENTATIONS THAT THIS  
13 BOARD HAS DEMONSTRATED LEADERSHIP ON THIS MATTER. AND WE  
14 INTEND TO CONTINUE TO DEMONSTRATE LEADERSHIP, ADVOCATE AND  
15 ESSENTIALLY MOVE IN THE DIRECTION AS FAR AS WE CAN OF  
16 ERADICATING THIS PROBLEM IN OUR CONTEXT; THAT IS THE COUNTY OF  
17 LOS ANGELES. VARIOUS PARTS OF THIS COUNTY. AND AS WE CONTINUE  
18 OUR ADVOCACY, WE'RE LEARNING THINGS. AND WE'RE LEARNING ABOUT  
19 THE INTERLOCKING SYSTEMS THAT DRIVE THE ISSUE OF HUMAN SEX  
20 TRAFFICKING, PARTICULARLY FOR CHILDREN. SEVERAL OF US ON THIS  
21 BOARD HAVE SOUGHT TO RAISE OUR VOICES TO DO SO. AND LEADERSHIP  
22 COSTS IN CERTAIN INSTANCES. AND I FOR ONE, MR. CHAIRMAN, WOULD  
23 BE PREPARED TO DO WHAT IS NECESSARY, CONSISTENT WITH SOME OF  
24 THE PREVIOUS COMMENTS, TO MAKE IT CLEAR THAT WE ARE VERY, VERY  
25 SERIOUS ABOUT PUSHING BACK ON THIS SCOURGE. IT IS A MORAL

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1 CRISIS OF CONSEQUENCE, AND HAS MATERIAL CONSEQUENCES IN THE  
2 LIVES OF THESE CHILDREN THAT IN EFFECT CAUSE SERIOUS PROBLEMS  
3 FOR THE COMMUNITIES OF WHICH THEY ARE A PART. THEY ARE  
4 VICTIMS. THE PERPETRATORS NEED TO BE DEALT WITH. AND TO THE  
5 EXTENT THAT IT HAS SYSTEMIC IMPLICATIONS, MR. BROWNING, SHOT  
6 THROUGH OUR RESPECTIVE DEPARTMENTS, IT SEEMS TO ME THAT WE  
7 HAVE TO THEN RECOGNIZE THAT FOR WHAT IT IS. LET ME JUST SHARE  
8 A PARTICULAR INSIGHT. THE LAND USE IMPLICATIONS ARE HARDLY  
9 IRRELEVANT. AND SO THERE IS A THEORY ABOUT THE GROUP HOMES, ET  
10 CETERA, ET CETERA AND THEIR PROXIMITY TO THE LOCUS OF CHILD  
11 SEX TRAFFICKING. GROUP HOMES ESSENTIALLY OVERSEEN BY D.C.F.S.  
12 AND OTHER COMPLEMENTARY COUNTY DEPARTMENTS. WE'RE LEARNING A  
13 LOT ABOUT THIS. WE NEED TO LEARN MORE ABOUT IT. AND WE SHOULD  
14 NOT TOLERATE IT. FRANKLY, MY POSITION IS ENOUGH IS ENOUGH. MR.  
15 CHAIRMAN?

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THE ITEM IS BEFORE US AS AMENDED  
18 AND I'LL MOVE IT. EXCUSE ME. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS WILL  
19 MOVE. I'LL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THANK YOU.

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21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, FOR YOUR  
22 LEADERSHIP.

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24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** DO YOU HAVE ANY ADJOURNMENTS, PLEASE?

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1   **SUP. MOLINA:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN  
2   MEMORY OF A LINCOLN HEIGHTS NATIVE, JOSEPHINE SERRANO COLLIER,  
3   THE FIRST LATINA L.A.P.D. OFFICER WHO HAS PASSED AWAY AT THE  
4   AGE OF 91. IN 1946 JOSEPHINE BECAME ONE OF NINE FEMALE  
5   APPLICANTS OUT OF 200 WHO WERE ACCEPTED TO THE LOS ANGELES  
6   POLICE DEPARTMENT. OVER THE COURSE OF HER L.A.P.D. CAREER,  
7   JOSEPHINE WAS ASSIGNED TO FOOT PATROL, THE LINCOLN HEIGHTS  
8   JAIL, THE VICE DIVISION, JUVENILE DIVISION AND THE HOLLENBECK  
9   AND CENTRAL DIVISION. SHE RETIRED IN 1960 AFTER SUFFERING A  
10  BACK INJURY. L.A.P.D. [CHIEF] CHARLIE BECK SAID OF JOSEPHINE,  
11  "HER COMMITMENT OPENED THE DOOR FOR MANY WOMEN AND LATINAS IN  
12  THE DEPARTMENT, SETTING A STAGE FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS. AS THE  
13  FIRST LATINA TO SERVE WITH THE L.A.P.D., JOSEPHINE ESTABLISHED  
14  A PROUD LEGACY AND HER SERVICE WAS TRULY INSPIRATIONAL." WE  
15  WANT TO EXTEND OUR HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES TO HER ENTIRE FAMILY.

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17  **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO BE THE ORDER. IS THAT ALL?

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19  **SUP. MOLINA:** I'D LIKE TO HAVE ALL MEMBERS IF WE COULD.

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21  **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL MEMBERS. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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23  **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MR. CHAIRMAN. PERMIT  
24  ME TO ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS:

25  BILLY JOE HOOPER, BORN MAY 3, 1931 IN LONG BRANCH TEXAS,



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1 PASSED AWAY ON MARCH THE 12TH. HE WAS 82 YEARS OLD. HE WAS A  
2 KOREAN WAR VETERAN, THOUGHT TO BE A VISIONARY. AFTER THE WAR,  
3 HE MARRIED HIS LOVE, ETHEL HOOPER, AND MOVED TO COMPTON WHERE  
4 HE WORKED TWO JOBS TO SUPPORT HIS FAMILY, ONE OF WHICH WAS AS  
5 A GAS STATION ATTENDANT. THEN HE BECAME A FRANCHISE OWNER WITH  
6 TEXACO GAS STATION ON WILMINGTON AND 120TH STREET IN THE  
7 UNINCORPORATED AREA OF WILLOWBROOK. HE FRANCHISED SEVEN  
8 STATIONS WHERE HE EMPLOYED SOME 60 PEOPLE. MR. HOOPER WILL BE  
9 REMEMBERED FOR HIS WORK ETHIC, HIS HONESTY, HIS AMBITION AND  
10 HIS LOVE FOR HIS COMMUNITY. HE ALSO LEAVES A LEGACY OF BEING  
11 KNOWN AS THE ONLY AFRICAN-AMERICAN OWNED AND OPERATED SHELL  
12 GAS STATION IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. MR. HOOPER IS SURVIVED BY  
13 HIS WIFE ETHEL, SONS BILLY JOE AND ANDRE, AND DAUGHTER  
14 MICHELLE, BROTHER DENNIS, SISTER JOYCE, AND MANY GRANDCHILDREN  
15 AND A HOST OF FAMILY AND FRIENDS WHO WILL MISS HIM DEARLY.  
16 BILLY JOE HOOPER, MR. CHAIRMAN. ESSIE HARRIS TURNER. MS.  
17 TURNER PASSED AWAY LAST WEEK. SHE HAS LIVED WITH HER HUSBAND  
18 AND FAMILY IN CARSON SINCE 1969. SHE WAS AN EMPLOYEE WITH THE  
19 LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR SOME 30 YEARS AND  
20 RETIRED IN 2004. SHE WAS VERY ACTIVE AT HER CHURCH, THE JUDSON  
21 BAPTIST CHURCH, IN THE CITY OF CARSON FOR MANY YEARS. SHE WILL  
22 BE REMEMBERED FOR THE LOVE OF HER FAMILY AND FRIENDS. SHE IS  
23 SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND MEL, TWO CHILDREN, FOUR GRANDCHILDREN  
24 AND MANY FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS WHO WILL INDEED MISS HER.  
25 ROBERT "BOBBEE" ZENO, WHO PASSED LAST WEEK. HE WAS A COMMUNITY

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1 ACTIVIST INVOLVED IN THE ART AND CULTURE FIELD FOR OVER 35  
2 YEARS IN A VARIETY OF CAPACITIES. HE WAS THE COHOST OF  
3 "EXPERIENCE TALKS" ON K.P.F.K., AN INTEGRAL PART OF THE  
4 COMMUNITY. HE HOSTED A BLUES SHOW AND RECENTLY LAUNCHED HIS  
5 NEW K.P.F.K. PROJECT CULTURE VORTEX. MR. ZENO WAS A MEMBER OF  
6 THE WEST CENTRAL AND SOUTH CENTRAL DEMENTIA CARE NETWORK AND  
7 EMPOWERMENT CONGRESS. MR. ZENO WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR BEING A  
8 HARD WORKING AND DEDICATED PROGRAMMER AND FOR HIS LOVE AND  
9 DEDICATION PROGRAMMER AND FOR HIS LOVE AND DEDICATION FOR THE  
10 COMMUNITY. HE IS SURVIVED BY MANY FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS,  
11 AS WELL AS LISTENERS WHO WILL INDEED MISS HIM DEARLY. THOSE MY  
12 ADJOURNING MOTIONS, MR. CHAIRMAN.

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14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I HAVE AN ITEM TO READ IN WITH YOUR  
17 PERMISSION.

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** PLEASE PROCEED.

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21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WE TAKE NOTE OF THE FACT THAT WE HAD A  
22 SUBSTANTIAL DISCUSSION A MOMENT AGO ON THE ISSUE OF HUMAN SEX  
23 TRAFFICKING, AND AS AN EFFORT TO BUTTRESS THAT WORK, THERE ARE  
24 ITEMS COMING BEFORE THE LEGISLATURE THAT I WANTED US TO HAVE A  
25 SENSE OF, AND WE WILL TAKE IT UP NEXT WEEK. BUT YOU SHOULD

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1 KNOW THAT THERE ARE NEARLY 75,000 CHILDREN IN THE FOSTER CARE  
2 SYSTEM. WE JUST SPOKE ABOUT THE FOSTER CARE SYSTEM WITH  
3 RESPECT TO THE ISSUE OF HUMAN SEX TRAFFICKING. EACH IS  
4 REPRESENTED BY A COURT-APPOINTED ATTORNEY WHO IS CHARGED WITH  
5 SOLE RESPONSIBILITY OF ADVOCATING FOR THAT CHILD'S SAFETY,  
6 PROTECTION AND PHYSICAL AS WELL AS EMOTIONAL WELL-BEING. A  
7 CHILD'S ATTORNEY MAY BE IN THE BEST POSITION TO PREVENT  
8 HORRIFIC OUTCOMES. FOR EXAMPLE, AN OVERWHELMING NUMBER OF  
9 YOUTH IN FOSTER CARE ARE AT RISK OF OR HAVING ALREADY BECOME A  
10 VICTIM, A VICTIM OF A RANGE OF THINGS, NOT THE LEAST OF WHICH  
11 IS SEXUAL EXPLOITATION AND THAT OF TRAFFICKING. THE ATTORNEY  
12 IS OFTEN THE ONLY ONE AWARE OF SUCH CIRCUMSTANCES, DUE TO  
13 THEIR UNIQUE AND CONFIDENTIAL RELATIONSHIP. THE ATTORNEY'S  
14 DUTY TO ADVOCATE IN COURT FOR RESOURCES AND TO WORK OUTSIDE OF  
15 THE COURT TO ACCESS APPROPRIATE PLACEMENTS AND INTERVENTION  
16 SERVICES. MR. CHAIRMAN, SIMILARLY WHEN CHILDREN HAVE SPECIAL  
17 EDUCATION NEEDS AND ARE DENIED ESSENTIAL BENEFITS OR BECOME  
18 INVOLVED WITH THE JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM, THEIR COURT-  
19 APPOINTED COUNSEL STEPS IN TO FIGHT FOR THEM, PROVIDING THE  
20 COURT OR RELEVANT AGENCY WITH CRITICAL PERSPECTIVE AND  
21 HISTORICAL INFORMATION AND EVEN MORE AS THE CASE MAY REQUIRE.  
22 YET IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, OVERWHELMING CASELOADS MAKE IT  
23 IMPOSSIBLE FOR THE DEPENDENCY COURT-APPOINTED ATTORNEYS TO  
24 PROPERLY SERVE THEIR CHILD CLIENT. IN L.A. COUNTY, WHERE THE  
25 LARGEST NUMBERS OF FOSTER CHILDREN IN THE STATE ARE SERVED,

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1 THE AVERAGE DEPENDENCY ATTORNEY'S CASELOAD IS 300 CHILDREN PER  
2 LAWYER. TRIPLE WHAT MANY ADVOCATES BELIEVE TO BE AN ACCEPTABLE  
3 LOAD. THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNSEL FOR CHILDREN  
4 ADVOCATES A CASELOAD OF NO MORE THAN 100 CLIENTS AT ONE TIME  
5 FOR A FULL-TIME ATTORNEY. CALIFORNIA'S ABUSED AND NEGLECTED  
6 CHILDREN DESERVE BETTER. WITH SUCH HIGH CASELOADS, THERE IS  
7 SIMPLY NO WAY TO PROVIDE APPROPRIATE AND EFFECTIVE ADVOCACY.  
8 CALIFORNIA'S SUPREME COURT JUSTICE, IN RESPONSE TO THE  
9 ALARMING SIZE OF CASELOADS HAS REQUESTED AN ADDITIONAL 33  
10 MILLION TO PROVIDE SUPPORT TO THE JUDICIARY BUDGET TO BRING  
11 AGAIN DEPENDENCY CASELOADS DOWN TO THE MAXIMUM RECOMMENDED  
12 LEVEL OF 188 CHILD CLIENTS PER LAWYER. AND WITH OVER 29,000  
13 CHILDREN IN THE L.A. COUNTY FOSTER CARE SYSTEM, IT IS  
14 IMPERATIVE, I BELIEVE, THAT THE STATE UNDERSTAND HOW IMPORTANT  
15 IT IS TO MAKE THIS HAPPEN ON BEHALF OF THE CHILDREN OF OUR  
16 COUNTY. SO WE WISH TO PLACE THIS BEFORE YOU. THERE ARE SEVERAL  
17 ADVOCATE ENTITIES FROM THE CHILDREN'S LAW CENTER, NAME THEM  
18 ALL, WHO KNOW THAT THIS IS CRITICALLY IMPORTANT. AND WE  
19 CONCERN OURSELVES WITH THESE YOUNG PEOPLE WHO ARE VICTIMS IN  
20 MANY INSTANCES. THEY WILL REMAIN VICTIMS UNLESS THEY HAVE THE  
21 PROPER AMOUNT OF HELP THAT IS IN THEIR PURSUIT OF JUSTICE. I  
22 PLACE THIS BEFORE YOU FOR CONSIDERATION AT NEXT WEEK'S  
23 MEETING, MR. CHAIRMAN.

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25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT WEEK'S AGENDA.

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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, SIR.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, ANY  
5 ADJOURNMENTS?

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7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'D LIKE TO ASK THE BOARD TO ADJOURN IN  
8 MEMORY OF LUIS MARIA DUARTE, A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL  
9 DEMOCRATIC INSTITUTE'S, AFGHANISTAN ELECTION OBSERVATION  
10 MISSION. DIED IN A TERRORIST ATTACK IN KABUL WHILE HE WAS  
11 PARTICIPATING AS AN INTERNATIONAL OBSERVER DURING THAT  
12 COUNTRY'S UPCOMING PRESIDENTIAL AND PROVINCIAL COUNCIL  
13 ELECTIONS. LUIS WAS A RESPECTED SCHOLAR, POLITICAL ADVISOR AND  
14 DIPLOMAT FROM PARAGUAY WHO SERVED AS AN N.D.I. ELECTION  
15 OBSERVER IN AFGHANISTAN, BANGLADESH, LEBANON, PAKISTAN AND  
16 PERU. HE HAD ALSO FUNCTIONED AS AN ELECTIONS OBSERVER IN  
17 ECUADOR AND BOLIVIA UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE ORGANIZATION OF  
18 AMERICAN STATES. IN ADDITION TO HIS ELECTIONS WORK, HE ALSO  
19 SERVED AS PROGRAM COORDINATOR OF THE UNITED NATIONS OFFICE ON  
20 DRUGS AND CRIME IN PARAGUAY AND AS A PROFESSOR AT THE NATIONAL  
21 UNIVERSITY OF ASUNCION AND THE DIPLOMATIC ACADEMY OF THE  
22 PARAGUAYAN FOREIGN MINISTRY, AS WELL AS A NUMBER OF OTHER  
23 ADVISORY POSTS WITH THE PARAGUAYAN GOVERNMENT. HE IS SURVIVED  
24 BY FAMILY MEMBERS AND HIS MANY FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES OF WHICH

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1 I AM ONE. THAT'S ALL I HAVE, MR. CHAIRMAN. I ASK THAT WE  
2 ADJOURN IN HIS MEMORY.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED. FOLLOWING ADJOURNMENTS,  
5 FIRST OF ALL THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF A DEAR FRIEND MARSHA  
6 LEWIS, A SPECIAL FRIEND AND MEMBER OF OUR EXTENDED FAMILY WHO  
7 PASSED AWAY ON MARCH 22ND AFTER A THREE-YEAR STRUGGLE AND  
8 VALIANT BATTLE WITH CANCER. SHE WAS A FLIGHT ATTENDANT FOR  
9 PAN-AMERICAN AIRLINES AND UNITED, LIVED IN BEAUTIFUL HAWAII.  
10 SHE WAS A VERY LOYAL SUPPORTER OF HAWAII YACHT CLUB AND JUST  
11 WORKED AS A VOLUNTEER IN MULTIPLE WAYS. SHE WAS VERY ACTIVE IN  
12 THE ST. FRANCIS HOSPICE. SHE WAS AN ACCOMPLISHED HULA  
13 PERFORMER. SHE WILL ALWAYS BE KNOWN FOR HER INCREDIBLY  
14 CONTAGIOUS SMILE. SHE TOUCHED THE LIVES OF MANY AND WILL BE  
15 DEARLY MISSED BY HER FRIENDS AND FAMILY. SHE IS SURVIVED BY  
16 HER TWO SISTERS, PAT AND JEANNE. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN  
17 MEMORY OF RON SMITH, CAMPAIGN STRATEGIST WHO PASSED AWAY  
18 RECENTLY AT THE AGE OF 71. BORN IN LOS ANGELES. GRADUATED FROM  
19 STANFORD. HE WAS VERY INVOLVED YEARS AGO AS A TEENAGER IN  
20 RICHARD NIXON'S CAMPAIGN FOR GOVERNOR. HE STARTED HIS OWN  
21 CONSULTING BUSINESS AND WORKED ON MANY CAMPAIGNS FOR MAYOR,  
22 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, STATEWIDE OFFICE. HE REPRESENTED BOTH  
23 REPUBLICANS AND DEMOCRATS. IN 2000, BECAME A LOBBYIST FOR THE  
24 CALIFORNIA HOSPITAL INDUSTRY. HE FOCUSED ON HEALTH CARE ACCESS  
25 FOR THE UNDERSERVED AND TO LEGALIZE GAY MARRIAGE. HE WILL BE

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1 DEEPLY MISSED. AS MANY OF YOU KNOW, HE WAS SUPERVISOR DEANE  
2 DANA'S ORIGINAL CAMPAIGN MANAGER. SURVIVED BY HIS PARTNER,  
3 RICHARD RICK, SISTER SHELLY SMITH BOWMAN AND NUMEROUS NIECES  
4 AND NEPHEWS. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY-- SURE, SUPERVISOR  
5 YAROSLAVSKY WANTS TO COME IN. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF  
6 ENRIQUE ALDANA, A COUNTY EMPLOYEE FROM OUR PROBATION  
7 DEPARTMENT WHO JUST SHOCKINGLY PASSED AWAY RECENTLY AT THE AGE  
8 OF 33. ENRIQUE WAS A VERY ENERGETIC AND VIBRANT PROFESSIONAL  
9 WHO THOROUGHLY ENJOYED HIS WORK IN THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT.  
10 WAS ASSIGNED JUVENILE SUPERVISION. WORKED WELL WITH THE MINORS  
11 AND THE FAMILIES. HE LEARNED QUICKLY, BECAME SO PROFICIENT  
12 THAT HE WAS ALLOWED TO BECOME ACTING SUPERVISORS ON NUMEROUS  
13 OCCASION. HE WAS KNOWN IN THE OFFICE AS AN OUTGOING CO-WORKER  
14 WHO WAS ALWAYS WILLING TO GIVE HIS TIME TO HELP OTHERS. AND  
15 OFTEN ASSISTED OTHER UNITS HIS OFFICE. ENRIQUE LOVED HIS  
16 FAMILY VERY MUCH. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE BARBARA AND HIS  
17 TWO DAUGHTERS, ELIZABETH AND CAROLYN. HIS LOSS IS A TRUE  
18 TRAGEDY AND SHOCK, AND HE WILL BE MISSED BY ALL WHO LOVED HIM.  
19 ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIREFIGHTER  
20 PAUL COOKE WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 37. HE WAS ASSIGNED  
21 THE FIRE STATION 92 IN LITTLEROCK. SURVIVED BY PARENTS, PAUL  
22 SR. AND VICKY, WIFE BELINDA, DAUGHTERS KALEE AND RYLIN. AND  
23 WE'D LIKE TO EXTEND OUR DEEPEST AND MOST SINCERE CONDOLENCES  
24 TO FIREFIGHTER COOKE'S FAMILY AND FRIENDS. SO ORDERED.  
25 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?



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2   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** CHAIR AND MEMBERS, I'D LIKE TO ADJOURN IN  
3   MEMORY OF WALTER RASIC, WHO WAS THE OWNER OF W.A. RASIC,  
4   CONSTRUCTION, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 81. HE WAS A DEVOTED  
5   CROATIAN PATRIOT WHO ESCAPED FROM YUGOSLAVIA IN 1961 TO CREATE  
6   A NEW LIFE FOR HIS FAMILY. HE WAS LISTED AS ONE OF THE TOP 600  
7   CONTRACTORS IN THE NATION, WORKING HARD IN THE INDUSTRY FOR  
8   THE PAST 43 YEARS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE ZLATA, AND HIS  
9   THREE SONS, PETER, FRANKIE AND WALTER, JR. ALSO WE'D LIKE TO  
10  MOVE IN MEMORY OF DOMINIC GEORGE ALESSI, LONG- TIME RESIDENT  
11  OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 82.  
12  MEMBER OF THE SACRED HEART CHURCH, THE ITALIAN CATHOLIC  
13  FEDERATION, KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS AND ANTELOPE VALLEY JAZZ  
14  ENSEMBLE. SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND THEIR FOUR CHILDREN. BRENDA  
15  DIXON PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 61. TAUGHT AT MASTERS COLLEGE  
16  FOR 39 YEARS DIRECTING SMALL ENSEMBLES. SHE WAS ACTIVE IN THE  
17  SANTA CLARITA BAPTIST CHURCH AND ITS MUSIC PROGRAMS. SURVIVED  
18  BY HER HUSBAND AND HER THREE CHILDREN. LILLIAN ENGLERT,  
19  LONGTIME RESIDENT OF LEONA VALLEY. PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF  
20  88. FOR MANY YEARS SHE WORKED AT ANTELOPE VALLEY READY MIX.  
21  ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE LANCASTER WOMEN'S CLUB AND WOMEN OF THE  
22  MOOSE AND A RECOGNIZABLE FIGURE AT EMBLEM CLUB TACO STAND AT  
23  THE ANTELOPE VALLEY FAIR. SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTER AND  
24  STEPSON. LEONARD MCBRIDE, DEPUTY SHERIFF AND RETIRED SERGEANT.  
25  LAST ASSIGNMENT WAS WITH THE EAST LOS ANGELES STATION. DR.

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1 NORMAN FREDERICK SPRAGUE PASSED AWAY ON MARCH 14, GRADUATE OF  
2 THE U.C.L.A. MEDICAL SCHOOL, ONE OF THE EARLY PIONEERS IN  
3 ARTHROSCOPIC SURGERY. FOR 14 CONSECUTIVE YEARS, HE CHAIRED THE  
4 INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR ON ARTHROSCOPY AND HE WAS ALSO A  
5 FOUNDING MEMBER AND PAST DIRECTOR OF THE ASSOCIATION IN NORTH  
6 AMERICA. SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND THEIR SIX CHILDREN AND THREE  
7 SISTERS. ALEXANDER BEJARANO, PASSED AWAY MARCH 14, DEPUTY  
8 RETIRED SHERIFF, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. HIS LAST ASSIGNMENT WAS  
9 EAST LOS ANGELES. AND A VERY GOOD FRIEND SUE VISCO PASSED AWAY  
10 AT THE AGE OF 73, LONGTIME RESIDENT OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AND  
11 SURVIVED BY HER CHILDREN BILL AND RICK. THEN I HAVE A MOTION,  
12 MR. CHAIRMAN, FIRST ONE. MR. CHAIRMAN, I'D LIKE TO MOVE THAT  
13 TODAY CHRISTOPHER LEE BROWN, 37-YEAR-OLD AFRICAN-AMERICAN MALE  
14 DESCRIBED TO BE 6' 3", 200 POUNDS IS WANTED FOR FELONY ESCAPE  
15 FROM COUNTY JAIL. DETECTIVES AND COUNTY PERSONNEL FROM THE  
16 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HAVE BEEN SEARCHING FOR MR. BROWN SINCE  
17 HIS ESCAPE FROM THE INMATE RECEPTION CENTER AT APPROXIMATELY  
18 10 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12TH. EARLIER THAT DAY, HE HAD  
19 BEEN SENTENCED TO A FOUR-YEAR JAIL TERM FOR BURGLARY AND  
20 IDENTITY THEFT, WHICH HAD BEEN INVESTIGATED BY THE ALHAMBRA  
21 POLICE DEPARTMENT. BASED ON VIDEO CAPTURED BY THE JAIL  
22 CAMERAS, AND OTHER EVIDENCE, INVESTIGATORS BELIEVE THAT HE  
23 IMPERSONATED ANOTHER INMATE IN AN EFFORT TO ESCAPE FROM JAIL.  
24 HE IS A TRANSIENT WITH NO KNOWN ADDRESS, WITH MULTIPLE PRIOR  
25 ARRESTS FOR THEFT-RELATED CHARGES. ADDITIONALLY, IN 1997 HE

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1 WAS ARRESTED, LATER CONVICTED FOR ASSAULT WITH A DEADLY  
2 WEAPON. HE WAS ALSO ARRESTED FOR COHABITIVE SPOUSAL ASSAULT IN  
3 2007 IN THE SANTA BARBARA AREA. THE FIRST WAS IN THE SAN LUIS  
4 OBISPO AREA. OTHER AREAS WHERE HE'S BEEN ARRESTED INCLUDE EL  
5 MONTE AND NEWPORT BEACH. THE SHERIFF'S MAJOR CRIME BUREAU IS  
6 SEEKING THE PUBLIC'S ASSISTANCE IN LOCATING SUSPECT  
7 CHRISTOPHER LEE BROWN. SO I MOVE THAT THE BOARD OFFER A  
8 \$20,000 REWARD IN EXCHANGE FOR ANY INFORMATION LEADING TO THIS  
9 ARREST AND/OR CONVICTION OF MR. BROWN WHO ESCAPED FROM COUNTY  
10 JAIL ON THE 12TH. PEOPLE LISTENING CAN CALL CRIME STOPPERS,  
11 WHICH IS 800-222-8477 IF YOU HAVE INFORMATION. THAT'S 800-222-  
12 8477. THANK YOU. SO MOVED.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. CHAIR WILL SECOND. NO  
15 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. PUBLIC COMMENT? XIOMARA  
20 CORPENNO. JESSICA KARP. MATTHEW HARPER. HARRIET ELLIOTT WILL BE  
21 THE FIRST FOUR. I APOLOGIZE ON THAT FIRST ONE. I PROBABLY  
22 BUTCHERED THE NAME. I APOLOGIZE.

23

24 **XIOMARA CORPENNO:** THANK YOU. THE PUBLIC COMMENT TODAY IS ASKING  
25 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS--

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1

2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOUR NAME.

3

4 **XIOMARA CORPENNO:** XIOMARA CORPENNO WITH THE COALITION FOR HUMANE  
5 IMMIGRANT RIGHTS OF LOS ANGELES. I'M ASKING THE BOARD OF  
6 SUPERVISORS TO PLEASE NOT RENEGOTIATE THE MEMORANDUM OF  
7 UNDERSTANDING WITH I.C.E., KNOWN AS THE 287 G AGREEMENT  
8 BETWEEN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND I.C.E., IMMIGRATION AND  
9 CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT. I WAS HERE IN 2005 WHEN THE BOARD OF  
10 SUPERVISORS DID APPROVE THAT. WE WERE AGAINST IT THEN FOR THE  
11 SAME REASONS THAT WE'RE AGAINST IT NOW, THAT IT REALLY DOES  
12 TARGET POOR AND WORKING-CLASS PEOPLE, PEOPLE WHO EVEN THOUGH  
13 IT'S POST-CONVICTION, THAT PEOPLE GET SENT OVER TO I.C.E. WE  
14 HAVE A LOT OF PEOPLE IN OUR COMMUNITY THAT WOULD RATHER PLEA  
15 BARGAIN THAN STAY IN JAIL TO FIGHT THE CHARGES AGAINST THEM.  
16 AND SO YOU HAVE OVER 30,000 PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN DEPORTED OUT  
17 OF L.A. COUNTY JAILS. WE ASK THAT YOU DON'T RE-NEGOTIATE THIS  
18 AGREEMENT AND WAIT FOR A NEW SHERIFF TO COME IN, IN ORDER TO  
19 THINK ABOUT IT AGAIN.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. IT WILL BE BACK ON THE  
22 AGENDA. NEXT?

23

24 **JESSICA KARP:** GOOD MORNING, CHAIRMAN, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS  
25 JESSICA KARP. I'M A STAFF ATTORNEY WITH THE NATIONAL DAILY ROW

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1 ORGANIZING NETWORK. WE ARE ALSO HERE TO SPEAK TO THE 287 G  
2 AGREEMENT. WE APPRECIATE THAT IT HAS BEEN SENT BACK TO THE  
3 SHERIFF, BUT WE STILL WANTED TO TAKE THE CHANCE TO SPEAK TO  
4 RAISE SOME CONCERNS SPECIFIC TO THIS AGREEMENT. IT HAS A  
5 PROVISION THAT WASN'T PRESENT IN THE LAST AGREEMENT, THAT  
6 BASICALLY DELEGATES TO I.C.E. AUTHORITY TO FORCE TO ENTER A  
7 CONTRACT TO USE COUNTY JAIL SPACE TO HOLD INDIVIDUALS  
8 SUSPECTED OF CIVIL IMMIGRATION VIOLATIONS, WHICH WE THINK IS A  
9 MATTER OF SERIOUS CONCERN GIVEN THE JAIL CAPACITY ISSUES THAT  
10 THE BOARD IS WELL AWARE OF. ANOTHER DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THIS  
11 M.O.A. AND THE M.O.A. THE BOARD APPROVED THREE YEARS AGO IS  
12 THAT IN THAT TIME THE 287 G PROGRAM REALLY HAS BECOME  
13 OBSOLETE. EVEN I.C.E. IS SAYING THEY'RE PHASING OUT THIS  
14 PROGRAM, AND TO THE EXTENT THE BOARD'S CONCERN IS IDENTIFYING  
15 VARIOUS CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS, THIS PROGRAM DOES NOT DO THAT  
16 WORK. SO WE WANTED TO RAISE THOSE ISSUES TO THE BOARD'S  
17 ATTENTION.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. IT WILL BE BACK ON THE  
20 AGENDA.

21

22 **JESSICA KARP:** DO WE KNOW WHEN IT WILL BE BACK ON THE AGENDA?

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NO. IT WILL BE CONTINUED. REFER BACK,  
25 RIGHT.

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1

2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO, THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. I DON'T KNOW.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IT WAS REFERRED BACK TO THE DEPARTMENT,  
5 SO WE DON'T KNOW, BUT WE'LL LET YOU KNOW. NEXT?

6

7 **MATTHEW HARPER:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS MATT HARPER, I'M HERE  
8 REPRESENTING L.A. VOICE. AS YOU ALL KNOW, GOVERNOR BROWN  
9 SIGNED THE TRUST ACT IN OCTOBER OF LAST YEAR TO RESTORE TRUST  
10 BETWEEN LAW ENFORCEMENT AND IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES BY LIMITING  
11 LOCAL COMPLIANCE WITH IMMIGRATION DETAINERS. ALTHOUGH THE  
12 PROPOSED 287 G MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT HAS BEEN SENT BACK TO  
13 THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE TO REVIEW, WE FEEL IT'S IMPORTANT TO MAKE  
14 CERTAIN COMMENTS ABOUT HOW IT WAS WRITTEN. THE PROPOSED M.O.A.  
15 NOT ONLY RISKS UNDERMINING THE POSITIVE STEPS THE TRUST ACT  
16 HAS TAKEN TO RESTORE POLICE COMMUNITY TRUST, BUT IS ALSO  
17 LIKELY TO HINDER THE FULL AND EFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF THAT  
18 ACT BY GIVING I.C.E. AN OFFICE IN THE JAIL AS WELL AS BY  
19 LETTING L.A.S.D. OFFICERS MAKE ARRESTS FOR CIVIL IMMIGRATION  
20 VIOLATIONS. EVEN IN MY OWN FAITH COMMUNITY IN BOYLE HEIGHTS,  
21 THERE'S FEAR FOR PEOPLE OF REPORTING CRIMES BECAUSE OF THE  
22 BELIEF OF THE INFLUENCE I.C.E. WILL HAVE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD.  
23 AND THAT CONFUSION COMING FROM THE PROPOSED 287 G. M.O.A. PUTS  
24 COMMUNITIES AT RISK. SHOULD THIS MEMORANDUM COME BACK, WHEN IT  
25 COMES BACK, WE REQUEST THAT YOU NOT ENTER IT TO AVOID ALL THE

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1 RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH IT AND THAT AT THE MINIMUM, TO MAKE THE  
2 LANGUAGE CLEAR TO FIT WITH THE TRUST ACT. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** CALL UP MATTHEW BARRAGAN, ARNOLD SACHS,  
5 MARTHA AREVALO AND EDNA MONROY. MA'AM?

6

7 **HARRIET ELLIOTT:** MY NAME IS HARRIET ELLIOTT. THIS IS THE  
8 FOURTH TIME I'M COMING TO TALK ABOUT MY CASE. IT'S THE SECOND  
9 TIME OF THE FOUR TALKING ABOUT MY SON'S DEATH 20 YEARS AGO. I  
10 HIGHLY PRAISE GLORIA MOLINA ON THE 11TH AND I'VE TALKED ABOUT  
11 HOW SHE INSISTED THAT THE SHERIFF SHOW HER THE HOMICIDE  
12 REPORTS, WHICH IS BASICALLY WHERE WE'RE AT WITH MY CASE. I  
13 JUST THIS WEEK TALKED-- ACTUALLY THE BALL IS IN THE COURT OF  
14 HERB WESSON. I GAVE HIM FIVE LETTERS BY COMMUNITY ACTION  
15 COUNCIL, L.A. C.A.N. MEMBERS TO CLOSE THE CASE OF MY SON,  
16 WHICH IS 20 YEARS AGO. YOU MIGHT WONDER WHY I'M EVEN  
17 INVESTIGATING-- TOOK SO LONG. I WOULD LIKE TO DRAW YOUR  
18 ATTENTION TO A FRANK OLSEN WHOSE SON, AFTER 50 YEARS, STARTED  
19 TO INVESTIGATE HIS FATHER'S DEATH.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

22

23 **MATTHEW BARRAGAN:** MATTHEW BARRAGAN, I'M A STAFF ATTORNEY WITH  
24 M.A.L.D.E.F., THE MEXICAN-AMERICAN LEGAL DEFENSE AND  
25 EDUCATIONAL FUND. I STAND TODAY WITH GRASSROOTS AND CIVIL



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1 RIGHTS ORGANIZATIONS DEEPLY CONCERNED ABOUT THE PROPOSED 287 G  
2 MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT THAT'S BEEN REFERRED BACK TO THE  
3 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. SPECIFICALLY I WILL SPEAK TO THE  
4 SIGNIFICANT LEGAL LIABILITY IT WILL EXPOSE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
5 TO. LOS ANGELES COUNTY AS WELL AS THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT ARE  
6 CURRENTLY FACING FEDERAL CLASS ACTION LITIGATION FOR DETAINING  
7 INDIVIDUALS ON IMMIGRATION DETAINERS IN VIOLATION OF STATE AND  
8 LOCAL LAW. THE PROPOSED M.O.A. INCREASES THE COUNTY'S EXPOSURE  
9 TO IMMIGRATION DETAINER RELATED LIABILITY FOR THREE REASONS.  
10 FIRST IT REQUIRES COMPLIANCE WITH IMMIGRATION DETAINERS  
11 WHENEVER PERMITTED BY THE TRUST ACT. THIS LIMITS L.A.S.D.'S  
12 ABILITY TO ERR ON THE SIDE OF CAUTION WHERE IT IS UNCLEAR  
13 WHETHER A PERSON FITS WITHIN A TRUST EXCEPTION. OTHER  
14 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENTS HAVE EXPLICITLY DIRECTED EMPLOYEES NOT  
15 TO COMPLY WITH I.C.E. DETAINERS WHERE THERE IS ANY DOUBT ABOUT  
16 THE APPLICABILITY OF THE TRUST ACT IN ORDER TO PROTECT  
17 THEMSELVES FROM LIABILITY. THE PROPOSED M.O.A. PROHIBITS  
18 L.A.S.D. FROM ADOPTING THIS COMMON SENSE APPROACH. SECOND AS  
19 DESCRIBED ABOVE--

20  
21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. YOU CAN SUBMIT YOUR COMMENTS  
22 FOR THE RECORD, AS WELL, TOO. IRENE PANG. ERIC PREVEN. NORMAN  
23 PHAGANS. MARTHA AND EDNA ARE NOT HERE? ALL RIGHT. GO AHEAD.

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1   **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. AND THANK YOU  
2   FOR THE MAGNANIMOUS ONE MINUTE OF TIME FOR PUBLIC COMMENT.

3

4   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MORE THAN WELCOME.

5

6   **ARNOLD SACHS:** YOUR GENEROSITY ONLY IS EXCEEDED BY YOUR  
7   BLUBBER, YOUR BLABBER, EXCUSE ME. IF YOU'RE NOT DOING ANYTHING  
8   ON SATURDAY, METRO'S HAVING A PROPOSED FARE CHANGE HEARING, IF  
9   YOU REALLY WANT TO WASTE YOUR TIME. BUT YOU HEARD ABOUT A  
10  UNIFORM POLICY REGARDING HOUSING FROM SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.  
11  SO I'M WONDERING: IS THERE A UNIFORM POLICY FOR METRO? WE JUST  
12  DON'T SEEM TO BE ABLE TO GET ANY. WE HEARD LAST WEEK HIS  
13  TRUMPETING THE FACT THAT MEASURE R WAS PASSED, BUT HE DIDN'T  
14  REALLY MENTION ANYTHING ABOUT LYING ABOUT THE AMOUNT OF MONEY  
15  THAT WOULD BE RAISED. NOW, OF COURSE THE \$40 BILLION WILL BE  
16  MET AS LONG AS YOU'RE WILLING TO BORROW ABOUT \$20 BILLION AND  
17  ADD THAT TO THE DEBT. BUT THE BOARD'S NOT PAYING, METRO'S NOT  
18  PAYING. YOU'RE PAYING. THE PUBLIC'S PAYING.

19

20  **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

21

22  **ERIC PREVEN:** YEAH. IT'S MR. PREVEN, YEAH. ERIC PREVEN, COUNTY  
23  RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3 IN THE ONE MINUTE BONUS ROUND HERE.  
24  ITEM 18 IS A LOCAL WORKER HIRE INITIATIVE. AND I MUST TELL  
25  YOU, I'VE TRACKED THIS QUITE CAREFULLY. AND 40 PERCENT IS WHAT

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1 WE TRY TO SHOOT FOR IN OUR JOB ORDER CONTRACT LOCAL HIRE  
2 PROGRAMS. THE HALL OF JUSTICE, WE WERE IN THAT DEPARTMENT. I  
3 THOUGHT THAT WAS LOW. FOR THE VALLEY, WHERE SUPERVISOR  
4 YAROSLAVSKY AND I ROLL, WE'RE LOOKING AT ACHIEVING 30 FOR THE  
5 TEEN CENTER AND THAT WORRIES ME BECAUSE WE HAVE SOME VERY  
6 TALENTED WORKER IN THAT AREA INSIDE THE FIVE-MILE RADIUS THAT  
7 WE COULD DO A LOT BETTER THERE. SO I'M CONCERNED ABOUT THAT IN  
8 ITEM 18. ITEM 18 IS ALSO A CONFUSING ITEM THAT HAD TO DEAL  
9 WITH THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN VETERANS AND ORDINARY RESIDENTS  
10 AND HOW THEIR EMPLOYMENT OR UNEMPLOYMENT. AND THE ONE, AFTER A  
11 VERY COMPLICATED LITTLE LOOK, THE ONE THING WE KNOW FOR SURE  
12 IS THAT THE CATEGORY WHERE WE'RE DOING WORST IS IN YOUNG MEN.  
13 IT'S A SUBSTANTIAL DIFFERENCE. I THINK MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS  
14 POINTED IT OUT. WE HAVE TO FIND SOME WAY TO ROLL THESE  
15 PROGRAMS IN A WAY THAT ATTRACTS AND BRINGS YOUNG PEOPLE INTO  
16 OUR WORKFORCE BECAUSE THAT'S THE-- ALL THE PROBLEMS OF OUR  
17 CYCLING IN AND OUT OF--

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. IRENE, YOU'RE NEXT. WE'LL  
20 CALL MARCO REYES. OSCAR MUHAMMAD. JOHN WALSH.

21

22 **IRENE PANG:** HI, EVERY SUPERVISOR AND EVERYONE. MY NAME'S  
23 IRENE. I CONCERNED ABOUT FIRST I SHOULD ASK THE SUPERMARKET  
24 FOOD \_\_\_\_\_ WHY TO STOPPING IN THESE SHOPS. AND SINCE I DID  
25 NOT RELATE TO ANYONE RELATION, SAME AS ANY OF MY FAMILY

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1 MEMBER. I NEED THE JUDGMENT FROM THE GOVERNMENT AND JUSTICE  
2 SYSTEM OF CALIFORNIA OR UNITED STATES NATION. AGAIN, A SIMILAR  
3 SITUATION HAPPEN TO MY FAMILY MEMBER. SECOND, MY FAMILY MEMBER  
4 AND I NEED THE HEALTH COVERAGE. MY FAMILY MEMBERS AND I HAVE  
5 BEEN IN THE EXCELLENCE, AS WELL AS THE STATURE, THE TREASURE  
6 OF THE STATURE OF U.S. MY CREDIT FOR THE WORK MY FAMILY MEMBER  
7 AND I HAVE BEEN DONE. I NEED THE JOB AND POSITION-- WE NEED  
8 POSITION TO WORK FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE NATION U.S. NUMBER  
9 FOUR--

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IRENE, YOUR TIME'S UP THANK YOU. NEXT.  
12 MARCO?

13

14 **MARCO REYES:** GOOD AFTERNOON TO THE BOARD. I'M HERE-- HELLO? I  
15 CAME FOR HELP TO THE BOARD BECAUSE I'M HAVING ISSUES WITH  
16 D.C.F.S. ON FEBRUARY 26TH I WAS ILLEGALLY CONVICTED FOR CHILD  
17 ENDANGERMENT. A POLICE OFFICER TOLD ME TO PUT MY CHILD INSIDE  
18 THE VEHICLE, WHICH I FOLLOWED ORDERS. AND HE ALL OF A SUDDEN  
19 STARTED SAYING MY CHILD WAS IN THE VEHICLE BY HIMSELF. AND HE  
20 CALLED A D.C.F.S. WORKER WHO GUIDED HIM ON HOW TO CREATE A  
21 CRIMINAL CONVICTION. NOW HERE'S THE CATCH, THOUGH.  
22 FORTUNATELY, IT MUST HAVE BEEN AN R.D.O. OR SOMETHING. SHE  
23 DIDN'T SHOW UP. AND THERE WAS A TIER REJECT. THE ONLY ISSUE IS  
24 NOW I HAVE A REFERRAL SUBMITTED, AND NOW I'M HAVING ISSUES  
25 WITH D.C.F.S. BUT THE ONLY THING IS, I WANT MY KIDS

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1 TRANSFERRED FROM THE SOUTH OFFICE, THE OFFICE IN SANTA FE  
2 SPRINGS TO ANOTHER ONE, ANOTHER OFFICE.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THERE'S SOMEBODY HERE FROM D.C.F.S. IF  
5 YOU'LL VISIT RIGHT BACK THERE, SIR. THE GENTLEMAN BACK THERE.  
6 RAISE YOUR HAND AGAIN.

7

8 **MARCO REYES:** BUT, SIR, I ALREADY WENT TO THE HEADQUARTERS.  
9 THEY DIDN'T HELP ME THEN. THAT'S WHY I'M HERE.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S WHY HE'S HERE, AS WELL, TOO.  
12 THANK YOU. OSCAR?

13

14 **OSCAR MUHAMMAD:** YES. MY NAME IS OSCAR MUHAMMAD. I SPEAK FOR  
15 THE OPPRESSED, I SPEAK FOR THE STRUGGLING POOR AND I SPEAK FOR  
16 CULTURE CHANGE. WE SHOULD END CORRUPTION IN GOVERNMENT. WE  
17 SHOULD INVEST RELIGION EDUCATION TO THE BLACK AMERICA YOUTH.  
18 THEY HAVE ONE SCRIPTURE SAY THAT TRAINING THE CHILD IN THE WAY  
19 HE SHOULD GO, HE SHOULD NEVER DEPART. BUT YOU WAIT LATER TO  
20 INTRODUCE RELIGION TO PEOPLE, YOU HAVE LOST IT. YOU LOSE  
21 RELIGION, YOU LOSE SOCIETY. RELIGION SHOULD BE THE BASE OF  
22 SOCIETY. WE SHOULD END THIS MODERN DAY PLANTATION WE GOT ON  
23 SKID ROW. SKID ROW IS RIDICULOUS PLACE TO SEE FOR BLACK  
24 AMERICA TO LIVE. INSTEAD, YOU GOT SUCH A LOW LIFESTYLE THAT  
25 ENDS RESPONSIBILITY. THAT'S THE SAME THING EVERY DAY AND EVERY

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1 YEAR. I GUESS IT'S JUST A BIG THING FOR THE POLITICAL. BUT,  
2 ANYWAY, OUR CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS IS BEING VIOLATED DOWN ON  
3 SKID ROW. THE ONE HAVE AUTHORITY OVER THEM SHOULD BE CHARGED  
4 WITH CRUEL AND UNUSUAL PUNISHMENT. IT'S THE EIGHTH AMENDMENT  
5 TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES. BUT IT DOES SEEM  
6 LIKE IT'S A BIG POLITICAL GAME TODAY HERE.

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. I'D ASK BOBBY COOPER AND  
9 JABRIEL MUHAMMAD TO JOIN US PLEASE.

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11 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH BLOGGING AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG OR  
12 GO TO JWALSH CONFIDENTIAL OR TWEETING AT HOLLYWOOD DEMS. I'M  
13 OFFICIALLY REPRESENTING HERE THE ANYBODY BUT BOBBY SHRIVER  
14 COMMITTEE. OUR MESSAGE IS SIMPLE. VOTE FOR ANYBODY BUT THE  
15 SPOILED PUNK WHO'S PUT \$300,000 ON HIS OWN NOSE TO WIN.  
16 \$300,000. THAT COULD BUY A LOT OF FOOD, WOULDN'T IT? THAT  
17 WOULD HELP A LOT IN SKID ROW. BUT MARIA SHRIVER, BOBBY  
18 SHRIVER, WHAT'S LEFT OF THE KENNEDY FAMILY, THE ONES WHO  
19 AREN'T IN PRISON FOR MURDERING KIDS, ON THAT 100 PERCENT. VOTE  
20 FOR ERIC PREVEN--

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, THIS IS INAPPROPRIATE.

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24 **JOHN WALSH:** HEY, STOP IT. LOOK.

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1    **SUP. KNABE:** NO, YOU DON'T CONTROL THE MEETING.

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3    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, THIS IS INAPPROPRIATE.

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5    **JOHN WALSH:** ALL YOU'RE DOING IS STOP-- OKAY, MR. YAROSLAVSKY'S  
6    100 PERCENT RACIST.

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8    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU'RE OUT OF ORDER. YOU'RE OUT OF  
9    ORDER. THANK YOU.

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11    **JOHN WALSH:** VOTE FOR ANYBODY BUT BOBBY SHRIVER. ANYBODY.

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13    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BOBBY?

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15    **JOHN WALSH:** THAT'S MY FIRST AMENDMENT RIGHT UP YOUR ASS.

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17    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU'RE OUT OF ORDER, SIR.

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19    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT DID YOU JUST SAY? DO YOU WANT TO REPEAT  
20    THAT AGAIN, MR. WALSH? YOU HAVE YOUR FREEDOM OF SPEECH. WHY  
21    DON'T YOU SAY IT PUBLICLY, MR. WALSH? YOU ANTI-SEMITIC BIGOT.  
22    THAT'S WHAT YOU ARE.

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24    **SUP. KNABE:** PLEASE REMOVE HIM. THANK YOU.

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1    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU DON'T HAVE THE GUTS TO STAND UP HERE AND  
2    SAY IT ON THE MICROPHONE.

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4    **JOHN WALSH:** JEW ASS.

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6    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

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8    **BOBBY COOPER:** YES, MY NAME IS BOBBY COOPER. YOU PEOPLE KNOW  
9    ME DOWN HERE. I GO THROUGH DRAMA WITH YOU BECAUSE I GOT MY OWN  
10   INVESTIGATION. I'M STILL TRYING TO GET MY MOTHER'S BODY FROM  
11   YOU PEOPLE. DO YOU KNOW WHAT THIS IS? THIS RIGHT HERE IS A \$2  
12   MILLION, MORE THAN A \$2 MILLION, INSURANCE POLICY THAT WAS  
13   ALLOCATED TO ME OUT OF RIVERSIDE COUNTY FOR WHAT THEY STOLE  
14   AND MISSING PROPERTY OF MINE, AND THE TAKEOVER OF OUR BANK  
15   ACCOUNTS. UNFORTUNATELY YOU GOT 70 POLICE OFFICERS HERE  
16   INVOLVED IN MY BUSINESS. THEY'VE STOLEN THE MONEY, THEY'VE  
17   STOLEN MY BUSINESS, AND NOW MY WIFE IS MISSING \$10,000 DIAMOND  
18   RING. I'M NOT HERE TO TALK TO YOU. I'M HERE TO ASK THE UNITED  
19   STATES FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION TO GET INVOLVED WITH  
20   THIS MATTER. THIS IS MURDER AND MURDER COVER UP. ATTEMPTED  
21   MURDER. I'M BEING DENIED HOUSING BECAUSE OF MY EXERCISE OF MY  
22   CIVIL RIGHTS.

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24   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. GO TO THE FEDERAL BUILDING.  
25   THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. NEXT?

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2 **JABRIEL MUHAMMAD:** JABRIEL MUHAMMAD FOR BISMILLAH, THE JUSTICE  
3 MOVEMENT. I WOULD FIRST OF ALL LIKE TO START OFF BY OBJECTING  
4 TO THE EARLIER ADJOURNMENT OF THE SUPERVISORS. MEETING IS  
5 CONTRARY TO PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE. HOWEVER, I'D LIKE TO MOVE  
6 FORWARD IN SPEAKING IN REGARDS TO ITEM 4 IN THE DEPARTMENT OF  
7 CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES. I AM INSPIRED TO SAY WE NEED TO  
8 START EDUCATING THE CHILDREN PER SE. NOT ONLY THE FAMILIES,  
9 NOT ONLY PARENTS, BUT WE NEED TO MAKE THE CHILDREN A LITTLE  
10 BIT MORE INSIGHTFUL IN REGARD TO WHAT'S AHEAD OF THEM IN  
11 REGARDS TO THIS DEPARTMENT AND HOW THEY CAN BETTER THEIR  
12 TENURE WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES.  
13 THEY NEED A SERIOUS EDUCATION IN HOW THEY CAN INTERACT WITH  
14 THEIR COUNSELORS, HOW THEY CAN INTERACT WITH THEIR PARENTS.

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16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ANTONIA RAMIREZ. DAVID  
17 SERRANO. MR. SERRANO WILL GIVE US OUR BENEDICTION. SO,  
18 ANTONIA, I JUST WANT TO WARN YOU IN ADVANCE THAT I WILL CALL  
19 YOU OUT OF ORDER IF YOU USE ANY RACIST COMMENTS LIKE YOU DID  
20 LAST TIME YOU WERE HERE.

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22 **ANTONIA RAMIREZ:** OKAY, YOU'RE BASICALLY JUST CENSORING ME OR  
23 YOU'RE REGULATING MY SPEECH, IS THAT WHAT YOU'RE DOING?

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25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE.

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2 **ANTONIA RAMIREZ:** AGAIN, MR. KNABE, IF YOU DON'T LIKE YOUR JOB,  
3 WHY DON'T YOU LEAVE? AT LEAST GIVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO ONE OF  
4 THOSE HOMELESS MILITARY VETERANS THAT ARE ON THE STREETS, AND  
5 THEY WOULD APPRECIATE HAVING YOUR JOB. IF YOU CAN'T HANDLE  
6 THIS JOB, LEAVE, WITH DIGNITY, OKAY. BUT WHEN YOU START  
7 REGULATING OUR SPEECH. WE GO THROUGH HELL JUST TO GET HERE AND  
8 SPEAK FOR LESS THAN ONE MINUTE. YOU OBVIOUSLY DON'T LIKE YOUR  
9 JOB. WE KNOW THAT. WE KNOW THAT MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS AND GLORIA  
10 MOLINA HAVE SQUANDERED COUNTY MONEY AND THEY WILL LEAVE IN  
11 DISGRACE AND WITH A TARNISHED REPUTATION. BOTH GLORIA MOLINA  
12 AND MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS SQUANDERING MONEY. LOOK AT THE L.A.  
13 COUNTY AND LOOK AT THE RESIDENTS YOU HAVE PUT IN THERE AND YOU  
14 WILL REGRET IT WHEN YOU ARE OLD IN YOUR WHEELCHAIR. YOU WILL  
15 REGRET IT BECAUSE EVERYTHING COMES BACK TO BITE. I BELIEVE IN  
16 THAT. AGAIN, I'M NOT PREACHING ANY RELIGION. I JUST BELIEVE IN  
17 METAPHYSICAL CAUSE AND EFFECT. AND AGAIN IT ALL COMES BACK TO  
18 BITE. SO, AGAIN, I DO THANK FOR THOSE WHO ARE DOING THEIR  
19 JOBS. THANK YOU.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. SERRANO.

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23 **DAVID SERRANO:** GOD IS THE FATHER AND THE SON AND THE HOLY  
24 SPIRIT. THE LORD OUR GOD IS ONE GOD FOR INFINITY, AMEN,  
25 HALLELUJAH. THE HOLY TRINITY IS THE ONE AND ONLY GOD, THE

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1 CREATOR OF HEAVEN AND THE UNIVERSE, AMEN. ETERNAL JESUS WAS  
2 CONCEIVED BY THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT OF GOD, AND CHRIST  
3 WAS BORN OF THE VIRGIN MARY. JESUS NEVER SINNED. THE LORD  
4 JESUS CHRIST PREACHED THE WORD OF GOD. HE FORGAVE PEOPLE'S  
5 SINS AND HE DID MANY WONDERFUL MIRACLES INCLUDING RAISING DEAD  
6 PEOPLE TO LIFE. THE LORD JESUS CHRIST DIED FOR OUR SINS ON THE  
7 CROSS AS OUR SUBSTITUTE. HE WAS BURIED AND ON THE THIRD DAY  
8 JESUS CHRIST RESURRECTED AND HE LEFT THE TOMB. JESUS APPEARED  
9 TO HUNDREDS OF HIS DISCIPLES OVER THE COURSE OF 40 DAYS. JESUS  
10 CHRIST THE ASCENDED INTO HEAVEN. JESUS CHRIST IS AT THE RIGHT  
11 HAND OF INFINITE GOD THE FATHER ALMIGHTY IN THE KINGDOM OF  
12 GOD, AMEN. CHRISTIAN SOULS AND SPIRITS ASCEND INTO THE KINGDOM  
13 OF HEAVEN, AMEN.

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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17 **DAVID SERRANO:** BELIEVE IN JESUS, AMEN. THANK YOU, THANK YOU.

18 DEBRA POLEE. IS DEBRA HERE?

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20 **DEBRA POLEE:** HI, I'VE BEEN COMING FOR THE LAST MONTH, ALL THIS  
21 MONTH, ACTUALLY, AND I'M A CIVIL SERVICE EMPLOYEE. IT REALLY  
22 SADDENS ME THAT WE HAVE LOST OUR CIVIL RIGHTS AT THE OFFICE IN  
23 WHICH I WORK AT. I CONTINUE TO BRING ISSUES TO THE FOREFRONT  
24 THAT ARE NOT BEING ADDRESSED. I AM OBLIGATED BY LAW TO PROTECT  
25 PEOPLE FROM DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, CHILDREN WHO ARE BEING ABUSED;

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1 AND YET AT THE JOB WHEN I BRING ISSUES TO THE BOARD THAT WE  
2 HAVE RACIAL PROFILING, THAT WE HAVE PEOPLE WHO ARE TREATED  
3 DIFFERENT, THAT WE GOT DOCUMENTATION, THAT WE'RE TELLING THE  
4 PEOPLE ARE BECOMING HOMELESS, EMPLOYEES ARE BECOMING HOMELESS  
5 BECAUSE THEY ARE TAKING OFF OF WORK, BECAUSE THEY CAN'T STAND  
6 THAT ENVIRONMENT THAT'S BECOME UNHEALTHY. I HAVE CAME DOWN  
7 HERE SO MANY TIMES AND THEN YOU GUYS SENT ME BACK TO THE  
8 DIRECTOR WHO TOLD ME, "YEAH YOU CAME TO THE BOARD AND LOOK WHO  
9 YOU GOT TO TALK TO NOW." SARCASM, INTIMIDATION, DISRESPECT. I  
10 SHOULDN'T HAVE TO BE EXPOSED TO THAT BECAUSE I WAS TALKING  
11 ABOUT AN ISSUE OF BEING VIOLATED WITH MY F.M.L.A. I DO NOT  
12 APPRECIATE CIVIL SERVICE EMPLOYEES DISRESPECTING CIVIL SERVICE  
13 EMPLOYEES.

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. IS THERE SOMEONE FROM HUMAN  
16 RESOURCES THAT CAN VISIT WITH HER HERE? COULD YOU FIND  
17 SOMEONE? COUNTY COUNSEL OR SOMEONE TO VISIT WITH HER? ALL  
18 RIGHT. THANK YOU. AND WITH THAT JOYOUS TIME, WOULD YOU PLEASE  
19 READ US INTO CLOSED SESSION, PLEASE.

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21 **LORAYNE LINGAT:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS, THE  
22 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL MEET IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS  
23 ITEM NO. C.S.-2, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING  
24 EXISTING LITIGATION, ITEM NO. C.S.-3, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL  
25 COUNSEL REGARDING SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION, ONE

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1 CASE, AND ITEM NO. C.S.-4, DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE  
2 EVALUATIONS AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AND SUPPLEMENTAL  
3 AGENDAS .

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1           **REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION MARCH 25, 2014**

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5   In open session, item CS-1 was continued two weeks to April 8,  
6   2014.

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8   CS-2 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION  
9   (Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of of Government Code  
10   Section 54956.9) Troy Dugan v. County of Los Angeles, et al.,  
11   United States District Court Case No. CV 11 08145.

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13   This is a Federal lawsuit alleging false arrest and excessive  
14   force involving the Sheriff's Department (14-1093)

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16   The Board authorized County Counsel to file an appeal in the  
17   matter entitled Troy Dugan v. County of Los Angeles et al. The  
18   vote of the Board was unanimous with all Supervisors being  
19   present.

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21   No reportable action was taken on items CS-2 or CS-3.



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13 related to any party to the said action; nor  
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